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EDITORIAL FOR MARCH 11, 2009

MUSINGS

Do not entertain ideas - put them to work.

There is nothing busier than an idle rumor.

The man who has the right to boast does not have to.

Smiles never go up in price or down in value.

Making a sin legal does not make it harmless.

Common honesty should be more common.

The difficulties of life are intended to make us better, not bitter.

ROTARY NOTES - 02/25/09

After a few minutes of confusion with rotarians figuring out where to land - considering we had bunches of guests related to our annual Star Student Teacher Achievement Recognition program - President Mallon called us to order. Eddie Obleton delivered the invocation and Phil Scoggins brought us news.

Rotarian Terri Parodi introduced an extensive list of visiting Rotarians and guests and Dick Nurnberg introduced SFC Jimmy Cameron as our military guest. SFC Cameron is a North Carolina native and has finished two combat tours. We heard a great story about how he addresses his wife as "Ma'am." Turns out, his wife is an officer!

Rotarian George Jeter stood in for our own Thunder in the Valley Wingman, Gene Kemp, to give us the details of this year's show dates and times. Remember, you can purchase your in-advance tickets at Rotary and you'll be billed through your Rotary account. Tickets are \$8 in advance and \$10 at the door.

This year's Star Students were asked to greet our club and introduce their family members, visitors and Star Teachers. Rotarian Marion Scott introduced her committee members for the event and President Mallon announced and presented the students. Rotarian Dick Stone and Sandy Lewack of Columbus Regional Healthcare Systems also served on the committee.

Seated at the head table with President Mallon were Eddie Obleton, Peggy Connell, Marquette McKnight, Guy Sims and Marion Scott.

Here's a list of the students and teachers who were honored.

Brookstone School: Samuel Coffin and selected teacher Nan Pate. Samuel and Nan were selected Muscogee County Star Student and Teacher. Calvary Christian School: Matthew Gilmer selected Diane McGowan. Columbus High School: Lacey Williams selected Carol Wingard. Hardaway High School: Amanda Brantley chose Patsy Hale. Kendrick High School: Desha Golatt selected Lisa Cheatham. Northside High School: Emily Ard chose Timothy Zabel. St. Anne Pacelli School: Chris Jacobs chose Tabitha Ginther. Shaw High School: Miranda gardner selected Clayton Henry. Spencer High School: Sasha Booth chose Tiffani Morrison.

- Mike Venable

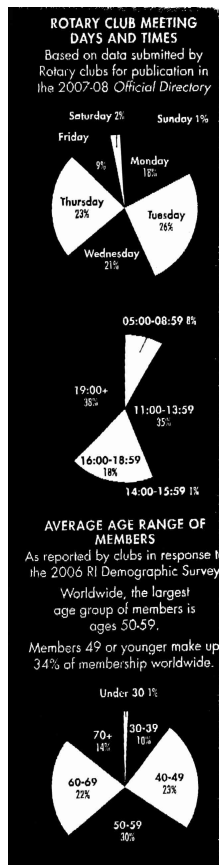
WHY I AM A ROTARIAN?

Rotary has enhanced our family's life. One of my daughters was a summer exchange student in Germany. A young lady student from Germany first came to our home and my daughter returned to Germany with her. We stay in contact with the family. We also hosted a young Rotary exchange lady from Belgium in our home and have stayed in contact with her. One of our daughters visited her in her home in Brussels. I am a Past President of my club and Chairman of Rotarians for Hearing Regeneration. Most of my family members are Paul Harris Fellows and hopefully all will be one day.

The friends made and kept, the opportunity of service and personal fulfillment being a Rotarian are reasons to stay and continue as a member of this great organization.

Gene Pankey

Rotary Club of Clover Park Lakewood, Washington.
District 5020





MAKE-UPS

George Flowers	3/7
Jimmy Clark	3/9
Felix Santiago	3/9
Joe Sandri	3/9
Richard Smith	3/9
Robert George	3/11
Ken Goldman	3/11
Don Sharitt	3/11
Floyd Jarrell	3/12
Bill Henry	3/13

RECENT CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE BIRTHDAY FUND

Larry Sanders
Lori Auten
Ryan Clements
Janet Davis
Johnny Cargill
Don Bloebaum
Walter Trussell

PHENIX CITY (02/23)
Meets Monday 12:15
Central Activities Bldg.
Carol Bradshaw
Tom Friedmann
Peggy Connell
Larry Neal
Jerry Scott

GEORGETOWN, GA (2/24)
Neal Wickham

**NORTH COLUMBUS
(02/24)**
Meets Tuesday 12:30

Green Island

Rick Alexander
Valerie Canepa
Tom Flowers
Johnny Johnson
Meridith Jarrell
John Kelly
Jim Thorsen
Billy Turner
Scott Wilson

PINEHURST, NC (2/25)
George Flowers

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Leo Goodsell
Rich Martindale
Wayne Anthony
Jerry Scott
Lance Duke
Leo Goodsell
Scott McLaurin
Mike Helms
Travis Chambers
John Richards
Tommy King

MUSCOGEE (02/26)
Meets Thursday 12:00

Green Island

Mary Bode
Patty Cardin

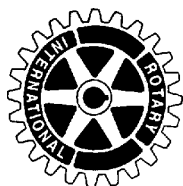
**CENTRAL JOHNSTON
CO, N.C. (2/19)**

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ATTENDANCE ATTITUDE

What every club would like to do is to foster and preserve the attitude toward attendance expressed by one Rotarian who said, "When Rotary Club meeting day comes around, I do not have to decide whether to attend or not, for that has already been decided for me. I was told of the privileges and responsibilities of membership before I became a member and understood that, unless I was ill, out of the city or tied up with some important engagement that I could not put it off, I was to attend Club Meetings."



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