



The Greenville ROTARIAN

"Service above self"

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FROM THE PRESIDENT

Dear Greenville Rotarians,

Rotary Charities, Inc., our club's charities arm, gives away a lot of money to very worthwhile local needs. Our Literacy projects (such as Read-to-Me) provide books to children and Numeracy projects (such as Money Smart) education to adults. We pay for a portion of the operating expenses of the Greenville Literacy Center at the YWCA. Youth Court under the leadership of Nell Stewart has proven to be an effective way to address non-violent offenses in middle and high schools that involves the kids themselves in adjudicating charges against classmates and meting out punishment.

We also are heavily involved in several international projects with other clubs and Rotary Districts. These are typically several year commitments, and the money that we send is matched by Rotary International Grants, effectively multiplying the impact. Charles Warne was recently talking about a water project in Haiti that will bring fresh drinking water to a community of 7,500 that does not have it now. That is real impact to folks who certainly need it.

We recognize leaders in the areas of law enforcement and education with the police officer, the deputy and the Federal law enforcement officer of the year. We have annually welcomed the Greenville County Teacher of the Year, and our participation in the Salute to Education every spring celebrates the accomplishments of the top graduating seniors in the Greenville School District.

We do other things, too: local grants based on applications by non-profits; District Science Fair; Camp Greenville Scholarship; and on and on.

The 2007/08 working budget for all these projects is \$95,000.00. The bulk of these dollars comes from Holiday Lights. When you are called on to provide some labor or assistance to this effort, please say yes. This is the tangible proof that we live our motto: Service Above Self. Saying yes to Holiday Lights is how you say yes to all our projects.

Neil

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Westin Poinsett Hotel, Gold Room

MCCALL HOUSE OPAEN ARMS HOSPICE, A MINISTRY OF BON SECOURS ST FRANCIS HOSPITAL SYSTEM



The McCall House Place of Care

Jim Rogers, Director of Open Arms Hospice, a ministry of the Bon Secours St. Francis Home Care, will be our speaker this Tuesday. Mr. Rogers will talk specifically about the recently dedicated McCall House. The facility was dedicated and officially opened on Friday, June 1, 2007.

The McCall Hospice House of Greenville will truly be a house of care, providing a place of comfort for patients in the end of life stages and their families. With close attention to detail, the design of the facility will offer a nurturing and supportive environment.

Jim Rogers says, "Extensive planning has gone into this facility —the McCall Hospice House of Greenville—to ensure that the surroundings present as supportive environment as possible for patients and their families. Changing our name to Open Arms Hospice is just one more touch we are adding to include everyone in the Hospice House."

NEW MEMBER ORIENTATION

August 28, 2007

11:15 a.m.

Symphony Building Office
(two doors down from the Poinsett Hotel)



WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Joan P. Dilworth, Director of Community Relations
ScanSource

Sponsors: Elizabeth Lyons and Randy Bell
Classification: Community Relations

Angela A. Elliott, Civil Litigation

Sponsors: Myles Golden and Dee Kivett
Classification: Attorney

Manfred Gollent, Business Coach & Owner
QLI International

Sponsors: Myles Golden and Walt Kivett
Classification: Business Coach

Jeff N. Rogers, Commercial Account Manager
RBC Centura Bank

Sponsors: Skip Young and Thomas Young
Classification: Commercial Account Manager

CITY OF GREENVILLE TO HOST A COMMUNITY OPEN HOUSE

The City of Greenville is gearing up to launch the update of its Comprehensive Plan, and will host a Community Open House on Thursday, August 30th from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the Hughes Main Branch Library, located at 25 Heritage Green Place. This Open House will begin the engaging of residents and business owners in the Comprehensive Planning process. The City's last Comprehensive Plan was adopted in 1999, and since that time, the city of Greenville has experienced a significant amount of change.

The open house will include a brief presentation and a break-out session where residents can meet with City staff members one-on-one to learn about the Comprehensive Plan, why it's done and how they as citizens can become involved in the process to shape the city's future. Please make plans to attend.

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Myles Golden, District Governor

Neil Rabon, President Jason Elliott, President-Elect

Paul Wickensimer, Secretary

Walt Kivett, Treasurer

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R.I. BOARD SETS STRATEGIC PLAN

The Rotary International Board approved a new mission, vision, and set of core values for Rotary International, reaffirmed that Rotary's motto is Service Above Self, and adopted the priorities and goals established in the organization's 2007-10 Strategic Plan.

Rotary's new mission reads: The mission of Rotary International, a worldwide association of Rotary clubs, is to provide service to others, to promote high ethical standards, and to advance world understanding, goodwill, and peace through its fellowship of business, professional, and community leaders.

Recognizing the role that core values play in driving the direction of the organization and the actions of members, the Board approved the following values as Rotary's guiding principles: Service, fellowship, diversity, integrity, and leadership.

"These core values are all reflected in The Four Way Test," said 2007-08 RI President Wilfrid J. Wilkinson. "By adopting a specific set of core values in the strategic plan, we can provide Rotarians with more explicit standards to guide and evaluate their actions."

The Board approved the following seven priorities as recommended by the RI Strategic Planning Committee:

- Eradicate polio
- Advance the internal and external recognition and public image of Rotary
- Increase Rotary's capacity to provide service to others
- Expand membership globally in both numbers and quality
- Emphasize Rotary's unique vocational service commitment
- Optimize the use and development of leadership talents within RI
- Fully implement the strategic planning process to ensure continuity and consistency throughout the organization

Each priority is supported by a set of goals and success indicators to measure progress being made. Look for brochures, presentations, plan implementation progress reports, strategic planning models and guidelines for clubs and districts, and other information on the strategic plan in RI publications and on the Web site in upcoming months.

