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Rotary Club of

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100 years of service

It's hard to believe that February 23, 2005, has come and gone. I want to begin this month by expressing my gratitude to George Fletcher and his Centennial committee for putting together an outstanding program to celebrate "100 Years of Service" in District 7750. I know that other areas and clubs in the district had celebrations also, as you will see in elsewhere in the newsletter, but unfortunately I couldn't attend them all.

Rotarians and their guests were met at the Palmetto Expo center to the sounds of a Bagpiper (Scottish), a Barbershop quartet (American), African Drums (African), a guitar player (multi-national), and a continuous slide presentation of district

centennial projects.

The social hour was extra special with an array of international hors d'oeuvres, which proceeded a very excellent dinner. It always amazes me how they serve a meal of that quality to that many people in such a short time. The program was brief but interesting with proclamations from the city of Greenville, the Greenville county school district, and the Governor of South Carolina.

After some additional international entertainment, we were honored to have Paul Harris, played by George Frein, give us a brief history of his early life and

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DG Bill Boyd participated in a Rotary Centennial celebraion at the Statehouse on Feb. 23 along with Mac Branham, governor of District 7770. While Governor Sanford couldn't be there, his wife Jenny Sanford, presented a proclamation to the two Rotary governors in recognition of the Centennial. More than 500 Columbia area Rotarians participated in the event. DG Bill and Centennial Chair George Fletcher represented 7750 at the luncheon.



DISTRICT CONFERENCE 2005

Friday, April 29 through Sunday, May 1

Radisson Riverfront Hotel & Country Suites • Augusta, GA

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March 5

Rotary Leadership Institute in Greenville

Mid-Year Assembly in Laurens

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Centennial projects and celebrations



Fair Play: Our name says it all

The Centennial project for the Rotary Club of Fair Play was to install four signs marking the community. The club held a contest for a slogan for the signs.

Pictured here is the Hubbard Family, local residents who submitted the winning slogan: "OUR NAME SAYS IT ALL." Shown (right to left) Cecil, Tammy, Kasi, Koti, Dusty and Dylan. Kneeling in the front is Hope Sprague, chair for the slogan contest.



The club received 76 entries. There were a lot of good ones and a few funny ones. Here are a few: Great place to raise a family; this is a small town and we want to keep it that way; Georgia is close, keep going; Town with a heart; You have arrived in Paradise; You have a friend in Fair Play.

Larry Dunster is president of the Fair Play Club. At left are club members on hand for the dedication of the signs, held on Feb. 23.

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beginning's of Rotary up to 1941. Finally, it's difficult for me to explain the feeling that came over me as the bagpipers from the Piedmont Pipe Band entered the room and played *Amazing Grace* to end the evening.

On Wednesday, George Fletcher and I were introduced to the state house of representatives along with Mack Branham, DG from district 7770. We then attended a luncheon hosted by the Columbia area Rotary

clubs where we were presented a proclamation by South Carolina's first lady Jenny Sanford who was standing in for her husband. Governor Mark Sanford proclaimed the week of February 23, 2005 as Rotary International week in South Carolina.

I know its normal to have a let down after such a celebration, but we still have some work to do before we end this centennial year. It's time for each

club to meet their commitment to the EREY campaign. If you haven't competed your three pledge to the Polio Eradication Fund Campaign, do it now.

Finally, each Rotarian in the district should have received an invitation to attend out district conference in Augusta, GA on April 29,30 and May 1st. Please register you and your family now.

Conference Registration Deadline: March 29, 2005

Union

The Union Rotary Club held its Centennial Celebration at Veteran's Park in Union on February 23 with 105 present.

PDG King Dixon, member of the Laurens Club and Annual Giving Chair for the district, presided over the presentation of 14 Paul Harris Fellows, the most ever presented at one time for the Union Club.

"We hit an all-time high on our Rotary Foundation giving this year, too, around \$8,000" said president Robbie Littlejohn. Eight non-Rotarians and six Rotarians were recognized.

D. J. Booker, president of the Interact Club at Union High School, spoke at the Centennial Celebration.



From left they are: sponsor Robbie Littlejohn with wife Wanda Littlejohn; sponsor Wilbur Smith with wife June Smith; sponsor Woody Sanford with wife Kiki Sanford; sponsor Bill Graham with wife Chippie Graham; sponsor Russell Caston with wife, Judy Caston.



PDG King Dixon at the podium, left to right: Kathy Campbell with sponsor & spouse, Dennis Campbell; Vanda Guess with sponsor & spouse, Robert Guess. Absent were sponsor Tal Wilkins & wife, Mary Ann Wilkins.



These six Union Rotarians were honored as Paul Harris Fellows. From left are: Thomas White, Lynne Burnett, Evans Crocker, Sammy Diamaduros, Scott Strange, not-pictured: Pete Diamaduros.



The Union Club recognized PDG William J. Whitener for 30 years of dedicated service and commitment to the Union Rotary Club and his community. President Robbie Littlejohn presented him with the Distinguished Service Award.

Southland Breakfast

One of the highlights of the Rotary International Convention in Chicago during this Centennial will be the Southland Breakfast hosted by Director Ken and Winnie Morgan. The breakfast will be held on Monday morning, **June 20, starting at 7:00 a.m.** at the Hyatt Regency Chicago Hotel, located at 151 E. Wacker Drive off Michigan Avenue. Tickets are \$35.

District Governor Elect Isaac Shaffer has the tickets which must be purchased in advance. No tickets will be sold at the door in Chicago.

The Breakfast will feature presentations by senior Rotary leaders, and will feature special music by the Swing Cats, a Jazz Ensemble from Sweden.



June 19-23
International Convention
Chicago
Register online at
www.rotary.org

**Have you registered for
District Conference?**

Greenville



The Rotary Family Literacy Center, the centennial project of six clubs in Greenville County, held an open house on Feb. 22. Terry Weaver, past president of the Greenville Club who came up with the idea of a literacy center, is pictured with Jane Thomas, director of Literacy in Greenville County, and DG Bill Boyd..



Greenville Rotarian Kitty Allen met her new student at the open house. Kitty is one of many Greenville area Rotarians who now volunteer at the center.



Matt Shouse, member of the Greenville Club, coordinated the construction of the Rotary Family Literacy Center.



Beth Templeton, director of United Ministries in Greenville, and Tom Williams, director of a food pantry in the Golden Strip, were presented Professional Excellence Awards at the Greenville Centennial Celebration. The award is given to non-Rotarians who exemplify Rotary ideals.



Paul Harris was the guest speaker for the Centennial celebration in Greenville on Feb. 22. Harris was portrayed by Chautaugua actor and Furman professor George Frein. Nearly 600 people attended the Centennial Celebration that featured a variety of international entertainment, including a pipe and drum corps.



Neely Jain, member of Greenville Evening, feeds a piece of birthday cake to her husband, Surendra, member of the Greenville club.



April - May 2005

DISTRICT CONFERENCE

2005



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
1	2	3	4	5	6	7

District Conference 2005

The Radisson Riverfront Hotel • Augusta, GA
 April 29th - May 1st

Answer: The check is in the mail!

Question: What do you say when your Club President asks if you have sent in your registration forms for this year's District Conference?

Have you checked your USPS mail box lately? DG Bill Boyd recently sent a letter of invitation to you and your family to attend this year's District Conference in Augusta, GA at the beautiful Radisson Riverfront Hotel from April 29th to May 1st. Please review the registration forms, complete them and forward them to Don Skinner, District Treasurer, by the end of March. Please note that hotel reservations are to be made directly with the hotel of your choice.

In this extra special Rotary year, we are looking forward to joining with one another to celebrate 100 years of Service Above Self. Not only will there be activities not found at previous Conferences, there will also be programs in our plenary sessions that will both educate and amuse. Come welcome the GSE Team from South Africa and renew friendships with our Youth Exchange students. Meet Rotary friends from around the state and take time to relax and enjoy another part of the Southeast in the self-proclaimed golf capital of the USA.

Some of the Saturday afternoon

activities have limited spots available and are being offered on a "first come- first served" basis. It is important therefore that you return your registration forms quickly if you are interested in them.

Those golfers in the group will have an opportunity to test one of the more interesting courses in South Carolina on Friday afternoon. Have your Club put a team together. Prizes will be awarded for both individual and team play.

To quote a Past District Governor, "We plan a little bit of Rotary and a whole lot of FUN!"

For more detailed Conference information visit the District website at:
www.rotary7750.com.

Other upcoming events:

March 2005

- March 5: Rotary Leadership Institute. Greenville.
- March 5: Rescheduled mid-year assembly and pre-PETS in Laurens.
- March 18-19: Presidents-Elect Training Seminar, Greensboro, NC.
- March 31: Presidential Citation award applications due to DG Bill.

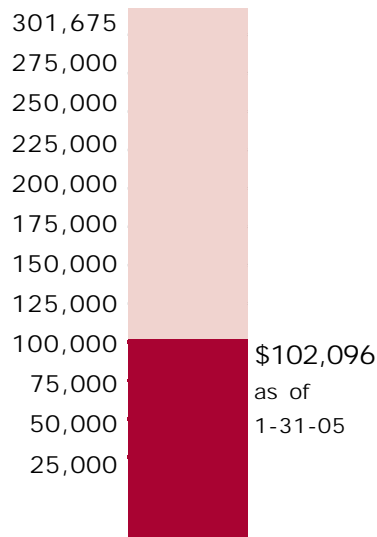
April 2005 — Magazine Month

- April 2: GSE Team from District 9320, South Africa arrives GSP.
- April 2: Club Leadership Training Seminar- Laurens County Higher Education Center.

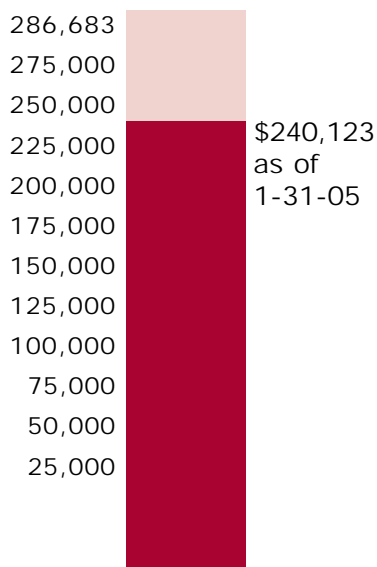
May 2005

- May 7: GSE Team from District 9320, South Africa Departs GSP.

Annual Program Giving 2004-05



Polio Eradication Giving 2002-05



7750 Attendance Report

January 2005	#Members at July 1, 2004	Current # Members	Change	Meetings this Month	Average Attendance	Annual Programs Giving	New PHF	New Multiple PHF	New Benefactors	Per Capita
Abbeville	41	45	4	4	66.67%	0.00	0	0	0	0.00
Aiken	119	128	9	4	88.00%	200.00	6	2	0	1.56
Aiken South	19	18	-1	4	70.83%	750.00	0	0	0	41.67
Aiken Sunrise	50	48	-2	4	73.77%	3,531.00	1	2	5	73.56
Anderson	169	172	3			750.00	0	0	0	4.36
Batesburg-Leesville	24	24	0							0.00
Blacksburg	19	19	0	4	77.63%	0.00	0	0	0	0.00
Chester	62	60	-2	4	65.00%	0.00	0	0	0	0.00
Clemson	97	99	2	4	80.94%	0.00	0	0	0	0.00
Clemson-Calhoun	39	40	1	4	90.00%	1,125.00	0	0	0	28.13
Clinton	27	32	5	4	75.00%	0.00	0	0	0	0.00
Clover	20	18	-2	4	68.00%	0.00	0	0	0	0.00
Easley	66	69	3	4	78.87%	0.00	1	0	0	0.00
East Spartanburg	27	29	2	4	86.00%	5,000.00	5	5	0	172.41
Electric City	25	28	3			2,000.00	0	0	0	71.43
Emerald City	68	62	-6	4	86.00%	0.00	0	0	0	0.00
Fair Play	28	27	-1			350.00	0	0	0	12.96
Foothills	24	24	0	4	57.10%	600.00	0	0	0	25.00
Fort Mill	77	76	-1	4	67.00%	0.00	0	0	0	0.00
Fountain Inn	37	37	0	4	68.20%	0.00	0	0	0	0.00
Gaffney	74	74					0	0	0	0.00
Golden Strip Sunrise	26	24	-2	4	75.00%	0.00	0	0	0	0.00
Greater Anderson	39	39	0			1,000.00				25.64
Greater Greer	13	13	0	4	87.00%	5,715.90	0	0	0	439.68
Greenville	381	372	-9	2	64.30%	36,270.00	0	1	1	97.50
Greenville Breakfast	25	25	0	4	80.00%	0.00	0	0	0	0.00
Greenville East	30	30	0			585.00				19.50
Greenville Evening	22	22	0							0.00
Greenwood	148	158	10	2	80.00%	1,825.00	0	1	0	11.55
Inman	22	22	0							0.00
Kershaw	13	9	-4	4	44.00%	0.00	0	0	0	0.00
Lancaster	87	89	2	4	63.00%	200.00	0	0	0	2.25
Lancaster Breakfast	70	73	3							0.00
Laurens	52	54	2							0.00
Mauldin	29	29	0	4	84.49%	0.00	10	0	0	0.00
McCormick County	21	25	4	4	73.00%	4,169.00	0	0	0	166.76
Newberry	52	53	1	2	82.69%	1,600.00	0	0	0	30.19
North Augusta	18	19	1	4	67.11%	0.00	1	0	0	0.00
North Greenville	47	46	-1	4	75.63%	226.00	0	0	5	4.91
North Spartanburg	65	65	0	4	78.90%	1,000.00	1	2	0	15.38
Pickens	49	47	-2	4	86.27%	0.00	0	0	0	0.00
Pleasantburg	62	59	-3	4	79.00%	5,350.00	0	0	0	90.68
Rock Hill	112	112	0	2	74.16%	1,000.00	1	0	4	8.93
Rock Hill Breakfast	27	27	0							0.00
Seneca Golden Corner	30	22	-8	4	84.00%	0.00	0	0	0	0.00
Seneca	62	59	-3	4	85.00%	0.00	0	0	0	0.00
Simpsonville	48	45	-3	4	89.17%	0.00	0	0	0	0.00
Spartanburg	186	184	-2			3,737.50	0	0	0	20.31
Spartan West	33	38	5	4	75.00%	0.00	0	0	0	0.00
Twin City	24	26	2	4	87.00%	1,678.00	0	0	0	64.54
Union	39	42	3	4	85.00%	0.00	0	0	0	0.00
Walhalla	42	38	-4	4	70.00%	0.00	0	0	0	0.00
Westminster	25	29	4	4	82.00%	800.00	0	0	0	27.59
Winnsboro	46	53	7	4	79.25%	0.00	0	0	0	0.00
Woodruff	13	19	6	3	71.95%	0.00	0	0	0	0.00
York	37	37	0	4	79.10%	1,650.00	0	0	2	44.59
TOTALS	3107	3133	26		76.30%	81,112.40	26	13	17	26.11

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Send your attendance reports and Foundation giving totals for February to District Secretary Fred Harbold, 205 Links Place, McCormick, SC 29835-2734; 864-391-2850; fharbold@wctel.net by March 15.