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ROTARY INTERNATIONAL

AUGUST IS
MEMBERSHIP
MONTH



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August—Membership and Extension Month

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What a wonderful Rotary District we have! I have now completed my first seven Rotary Club visits and the experience has been quite gratifying. I started my visits with the **Aiken** Rotary Club. One of the larger clubs in our District, I was impressed with members' spirit and their commitment not only to their Aiken community, but also their ongoing interest in Guatemala. The District should expect a Global Grant from Area 8 led by the Aiken Rotary Club within a year.

Visits to the two clubs in Batesburg-Leesville made me realize that small clubs also are having major impacts in their communities. **Batesburg-Leesville** Rotary, a lunch club, teams up with **Twin City** Rotary, a breakfast club, to meet every need that they confront in their shared community. I was amazed at what the two relatively small clubs were doing from feeding the hungry to beautifying public spaces even to helping with homeless challenges in Myrtle



Greenwood Rotarian Angelle LaBorde receiving her PHF pin from DG Tom Faulkner{7-22-14}

Beach of all places!

Later, I visited **Greenwood** Rotary and **Emerald City** Rotary. Again, I learned of creative work with children, work with Stop Hunger Now, and ongoing efforts to improve the park system in Greenwood County. Emerald City continues its amazing work in Honduras and hopes to make partner clubs of the other clubs in their area during the coming year.

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Mary Sieck, outgoing President of the Lake Wyle club, presented Rotarian Charles Ford with a Citation of Excellence Award. [More from Lake Wylie on page 4.](#)



Greenville East Rotarian Gary Davis sets flight record. [See page 3.](#)

YOUTH EXCHANGE STUDENT CARMEN AOS SPEAKING TO THE ROTARY CLUB OF PLEASANTBURG



"This visit has been a dream come true! Thank you very much for all Rotary has done to bring me here! I will never forget this journey and I hope to come back soon." [More on page 8.](#)

2014-15 GOALS

MEMBERSHIP 2741 | **CURRENT: 2641**

FOUNDATION

\$375,000 ANNUAL FUND-SHARE | **\$17,148 ACHIEVED**

\$54,000 POLIPLUS | **\$1,541 ACHIEVED**

70 NEW PAUL HARRIS SOCIETY | **0 ACHIEVED**

75 BENEFACTORS | **0 ACHIEVED**

OTHER GOALS

54 | 100% PRESIDENTS-ELECT ELECTED BY 11/1/14 | **40 ACHIEVED**

27 | 50% OF PRESIDENT-NOMINEES ELECTED BY 11/1/15 | **4 ACHIEVED**

100% (54) CLUBS THAT HOLD ROTARY DAY | **0 ACHIEVED**



PDG Paul Wilson, who served our district as governor in 1990-91, died July 26 at the age of 88. [More on page 8.](#)

