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Rotary Weekly Programs

July 26 – Kathie Fabrikant from Royce Learning Center

August 2 – No meeting

August 4 – Sand Gnats Rotary

Promotional Night at Grayson Stadium

August 9 – YMCA – The meeting will be a tour and lunch at the Y

Rotary Board Meeting:

July 24, 8:00 a.m. at Johnson's on 4th

District Training Seminar:

August 4 – The Rotary Foundation, Vidalia

President Wilkinson shows the world that Rotary Shares

Wilfrid J. Wilkinson, 2007-08 RI president, has launched the new Rotary year as the year to "say yes to Rotary." The RI theme, *Rotary Shares*, is a reflection of his commitment to share Rotary with others through service and recruiting new members.

Wilkinson, a member of the Rotary Club of Trenton, Ontario, Canada, sees the concept of sharing as a motivating force behind Rotary work. "In choosing this theme, I thought about how much of Rotary is about sharing. We share our time, we share our talents, we share our money with others who need our help," he told incoming district governors at the 2007 International Assembly in February.

"In Rotary, sharing doesn't mean giving away what you have to spare, what you don't need for yourself," he explained. "Sharing means giving *of* yourself, selflessly, for the good of others."

Wilkinson has chosen to continue immediate past president Bill Boyd's emphases of water, health and hunger, literacy, and family of Rotary. "These basic needs have been at the forefront of Rotary's efforts for several years now," he says. "And I hope that they will continue, because with clean water, good health, and the ability to read and write, so many of the people who need help will find the ability to help themselves."

In a time of dwindling participation in service organizations worldwide, Wilkinson emphasizes the importance of commitment to membership expansion. "It's not always an easy thing to invite someone into Rotary. Too often, we hear no. And no one likes to hear no. It's easy to get discouraged. But you have to expect those no's, and know when to ask again – and when to move on to find a yes somewhere else."

Equally important to Rotary's future, says Wilkinson, is attention to programs for youth. "Working to strengthen our programs for youth helps ensure a new generation of responsible, ethical, and volunteer-minded people. [They] are our link to the future of Rotary which we ourselves will not see."

This article appeared in the July 2007 issue of [Rotary World](#).

R.I. Board Approves Strategic Plan 2007-2010

At its June meeting, the RI 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 Websites of Interest

Rotary Club of Effingham County

District 6920

Rotary International

Rotary International Leadership

R.I. President:
Wilfrid J. Wilkerson
District Governor:
Richard E. Hyer, Jr.
Assistant Governor: Jeff Kublin

Club Officers & Board of Directors

President: Jerry Smith
Pres-Elect: Karen Tanksley
Past Pres: Talbert Edenfield
Secretary: Lenny Pye
Treasurer: Dan Burkhalter
Sgt-At-Arms: Lamar Allen
Club Administrator: Karen Tanksley
Club Public Relations: Lane Robertson
Membership: Ann Purcell
Service Projects: Mark Winters
Rotary Foundation: Robert Nelson

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.

The vision of Rotary International is to be universally recognized for its commitment to Service Above Self to advance world understanding, goodwill, and peace.

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."

In addition, 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.

Attendance for 7/19/07 Meeting

Attendance: 81.6%	Members Absent	
Guest of Members	Dan Burkhalter (1)	Ron Howard (2)
Sandy Martin, guest of Adrian Meeks	Stan Mann (1)	Lane Robertson (2)
Jenley Bailey, guest of Lisa Bailey	Karen Tanksley (1)	Carrie Thompson (1)
Sabrina Downing, guest of Lisa Bailey	Randy Walker (1)	Mark Winters (1)
	Dennis Webb (1)	
Visiting Rotarians	A Good Rotarian Makes up Missed Meetings	
Floyd Smith, Savannah West	Lisa Bailey, E-Club, 7/12	

Calendar of Events: Please log onto the club website to view upcoming events concerning the club and the district.

PAST
PRESIDENTS

John Thompson – 1989
 Ron Harden – 1990
 Herb Jones – 1991
 Warren Ratchford – 1992
 Lenny Pye – 1993
 Lamar Allen – 1994
 David Atkins – 1995
 Charles Williamson – 1996
 Wendel Wilson – 1997
 Tommy Allen – 1998
 Ken Lee – 1999
 Carolyn Sanders – 2000
 Lamar Crosby – 2001
 Dennis Webb – 2002
 Jeff Kublin – 2003
 Rick Sebastian – 2004
 Judy Quinney – 2005
 Talbert Edenfield - 2006

WILL WALL FELLOWS

Lamar Allen
 Tommy Allen
 Herb Jones
 Kay Jones
 Jeff Kublin
 Lenny Pye
 Carolyn Sanders
 Leland Sanders
 Rick Sebastian
 John Thompson
 Charles Williamson
 Ray Zittrouer

PERFECT ATTENDANCE

Herb Jones	26 years
Lamar Allen	17 years
Tommy Allen	11 years
Wendel Wilson	10 years
Rick Sebastian	9 years
Jeff Kublin	7 years
Jim Scott	7 years
Talbert Edenfield	6 years
Lainie Jenkins	5 years
Jerry Smith	5 years
Karen Tanksley	5 years
Patrick Finley	4 years
Barbara Oglesby	3 years
Mark Winters	3 years
Dan Burkhalter	2 year
Stan Sparks	2 year



"Service Above Self"



PAUL HARRIS FELLOWS

Lamar Allen	Tommy Allen
David Atkins	Lamar Crosby
Talbert Edenfield	Ron Harden
Jane Hughes	Lainie Jenkins
Herb Jones	Jeff Kublin
Ken Lee	Lenny Pye
Ann Purcell	Judy Quinney
Warren Ratchford	Carolyn Sanders
Rick Sebastian	Wendell Sikes
John Thompson	Dennis Webb
Charles Williamson	Wendel Wilson
Leo Wuori	Mary Zitterouer

Sustaining Rotary Foundation Members

Lisa Bailey	Dan Burkhalter
Patrick Finley	Laura Hendrix
Ron Howard	Adrian Meeks
Robert Nelson	Marsha Sanders
Jim Scott	Jerry Smith
Stan Sparks	Karen Tanksley
Mark Winters	

MAKE UP PLACES NEAR
EFFINGHAM COUNTY

Effingham Sunrise – Tues., 7:30 AM at Guyton Christian Church
 Glennville – Wed., 12:00 PM at Community Center
 Hinesville – Tues., 12:30 PM at Holiday Inn
 Pooler – Wed., 7:30 AM at the Western Sizzlin
 Richmond Hill – Thurs., 12:30 PM at Holiday Inn
 Savannah – Mon., 12:30 PM at Desoto Hilton
 Sav. South – Tues., 12:30 PM at Holiday Inn Midtown
 Savannah East – Fri., 12:30 PM at Desoto Hilton
 Savannah West – Wed., 12:30 PM at The Hyatt
 Sav. Sunrise – Thurs., 7:30 AM at Desoto Hilton
 Skidaway Island – Wed., 7:30 AM at Plantation Club
 Statesboro – Mon., 1:00 PM at Forest Heights CC
 Statesboro Downtown – Thurs., 7:15 AM at Statesboro Inn
 Sylvania – Thurs., 12:30 PM at R & D Seafood

The Four Way Test

Of the things we think, say or do

Is it the TRUTH?

Is it FAIR to all concerned?

Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?

Will it be BENEFICIAL to all CONCERNED?