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Rotary Weekly Programs

Dec. 13 – Mrs Angelique Harville, United Nations
Dec. 20 – Cindy Burns, Coast Center for Dev. Ser.
Dec. 27 – No Meeting
Jan 3 – Stan Sparks, GA Power
Jan 10 – TBA
Jan 17 – Preliminary Speech Contest
Jan 24 – Craig MacFarlane
Jan 31 – Club Assembly

Rotary Board Meeting:

November 28, 8:00 a.m. at Johnson's on 4th

Empowered families strengthen Rotary image

By Maureen Vaught
Rotary International News - 10 December 2007



The Garrettsville-Hiram club's Family Week Celebration offered a fun time for children on carnival rides.

Photo by John Crawford

After 75 years, the Rotary Club of Garrettsville-Hiram faced a declining membership and dwindling enthusiasm. But by celebrating family, the club's 10 members not only strengthened their club, they also helped their community.

The Empower the Family service project, now in its fifth year, supports activities that engage and honor families while enhancing Rotary's image. Its centerpiece is the annual Family Week Celebration, which includes a music festival, carnival, and school-sponsored art, essay, and speech contests. In addition, residents of this small Ohio, USA, town are encouraged to Put Family First one evening and spend time exclusively with their families.

According to club member Amy Crawford, the project has succeeded on many levels: "We have more community involvement with the club. We've brought people from surrounding areas together. And we've attracted newer, younger members with children of their own to the club."

It's also cultivated working relationships between club members and community leaders. Local businesses, churches, governments, libraries, and schools collaborate with the club to sponsor activities throughout the week.

Convinced of the project's global appeal to families and Rotarians alike, Vibert Kesler, chair of the first Family Week Celebration and a former member of the Garrettsville-Hiram club, created World Peace Parents in 2003. This nonprofit organization helps Rotary clubs worldwide carry out similar events in their

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

communities. To date, clubs in Minnesota and Pennsylvania, USA, have organized family celebrations. And the Rotary clubs of Bombay Bandra, Maharashtra, India, and Muyenga and Port-Bell, Uganda, are working with World Peace Parents to adapt the concept to their cultures.

"This program works especially well for smaller communities and smaller clubs," Kesler says. "It can really rejuvenate your club."

Upcoming Events

December 13 – Vote on Nominations for President-Elect and Board Members
January 17 – Preliminary High School Speech Contest
February 9 - METS Workday
April 11 – Special Olympics

Attendance for 12/06/07 Meeting

	Members Absent
Attendance: 76.9%	Ken Boyd (2) Lamar Crosby (1)
Guest of Members	Talbert Edenfield (2) Barabara Oglesby (2)
Romona Lovett guest of the club	Ann Purcell (1) Lenny Pye (1)
Rob Porterfield, guest of the club	Warren Ratchford (2) Carolyn Sanders (1)
Cheryl Cale, guest of the club	Jerry Smith (2)
Visiting Rotarians	A Good Rotarian Makes up Missed Meetings
NONE!!!	Lamar Allen, Board Meeting Lainie Jenkins, Effingham Sunrise Stan Mann, E-Club Barbara Oglesby, Effingham Sunrise Stan Sparks, Board Meeting

Mission of Rotary

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.

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PRESIDENTS

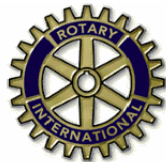
John Thompson – 1989
 Ron Harden – 1990
 Herb Jones – 1991
 Warren Ratchford – 1992
 Lenny Pye – 1993
 Lamar Allen – 1994
 David Atkins – 1995
 Charles Williamson – 1996
 Wendel Wilson – 1997
 Tommy Allen – 1998
 Ken Lee – 1999
 Carolyn Sanders – 2000
 Lamar Crosby – 2001
 Dennis Webb – 2002
 Jeff Kublin – 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
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 The First City Club
 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?