



Rotary District 6920

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THE GOVERNOR'S FORUM

Dear Rotarian Friends,
Rotarians and guests from District 6920 celebrated the achievements of the 2007-2008 year in Macon on April 18-20, 2008. It was a good time for fellowship and learning more about Rotary. The highlight was the Friday picnic at Walnut Creek Shooting Preserve and almost 300 people attended. Please review the recent Weekly Communication for a summary.

Congratulations to President Jep Craig and the Dublin Rotary Club for the distinction of being the Best Club - Overall in District 6920. Special congratulations to those clubs who earned Presidential Citations this year. This is not an easy award to garner and 37 of 65 clubs were recognized. Also congratulations to Tom McGoldrick of the Skidaway Island Club as Rookie of the Year.

Thank you for your support of the District Conference and my special appreciation to Past District Governor Albert and Bebe Reichert for chairing the event. Also my thanks go to the three Macon Rotary Clubs for their efforts to coordinate activities and serve as hosts. Marsha and I are grateful to you all.

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Awards Presented at Conference

More than 45 awards were presented to clubs at this year's district conference in Macon. The club receiving the most awards was The Rotary Club of Dublin, which garnered the top award of Rotary Club of the Year, among other honors.

Below is a list of the awards presented, along with winners and runners-up:

Club Service: small clubs - Wrightsville, winner; Kings Bay, runner-up; medium clubs - Valdosta North, winner; Waynesboro, runner-up; large clubs - Dublin, winner; Macon, runner-up.

International Service: small clubs - Kings Bay, winner; Wrightsville, runner-up; medium club - Skidaway Island, winner; Camden County, runner-up; large club - Dublin, winner; Warner Robins, runner-up.

Vocational Service: small club - Wrightsville, winner; McIntosh County, runner-up; medium club - Camden County, winner; Waynesboro, runner-up; large club - Dublin, winner; Warner Robins, runner-up.

Community Service: small club - Kings Bay, winner; Wrightsville, runner-up; medium club - Skidaway Island, winner; Camden County, runner-up; large club - Dublin, winner; Milledgeville, runner-up.

Interact School Project - Effingham County, winner; Claxton,

runner-up.

Interact Community Project: Effingham Sunrise, winner; Augusta West, runner-up.

Interact Vocational Project: Augusta West, winner.

Interact International Project: Augusta West, winner.

Best Club Bulletin: small club - Wrightsville, winner; Savannah Sunrise, runner-up; medium club - Valdosta North, winner; Augusta West, runner-up; large club - Dublin, winner; Milledgeville, runner-up.

Best On-Line Bulletin: small club - Kings Bay, winner; medium club - Skidaway Island, winner; large club - Macon, winner; Milledgeville, runner-up.

Best Club Web Page: small club - Byron, winner; medium club - Valdosta North, winner; Savannah West, runner-up; large club - Milledgeville, winner.

Best Club Scrapbook: small club - Kings Bay, winner; Centerville, runner-up; medium club - Valdosta North, winner; Augusta West, runner-up; large club - Valdosta, winner; Milledgeville, runner-up.

Best Club Display: small club - Nashville-Berrien, winner; Byron, runner-up; medium club - Augusta West, winner; Valdosta North, runner-up; large club - Dublin,

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Clubs Receive Awards at Conference

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winner; Macon, runner-up.

Dekle Attendance Award: small club - Centerville; medium club - Augusta West; large club - Dublin.

Best Attendance Percentage at District Conference: small club - Wrightsville; medium club - Augusta West; large club - Macon.

Citation for Attendance at District Conference: Augusta West, Macon, Dublin, Centerville, Valdosta, Valdosta North, Warner Robins, Statesboro, St. Simons Island, Wrightsville, Milledgeville, Skidaway

Island, Savannah South, Sandersville, Statesboro.

Rookie of the Year: Skidaway Island.

Club of the Year: small club - Kings Bay, winner; medium club - Augusta West, winner; Skidaway Island, runner-up; large club - Dublin, winner; Macon, runner-up.

Overall Club of the Year: small club - Kings Bay; medium club - Augusta West; large club - Dublin.

Presidential Citation: Augusta, Augusta South, Augusta West, Brunswick, Byron, Camden County,

Centerville, Claxton, Downtown Macon, Downtown Statesboro, Dublin, Eastman, Effingham County, Glennville, Hawkinsville, Jekyll Island, Kings Bay, Macon, Middle Georgia College Rotaract Club/Dublin Campus/Sponsor: Dublin Rotary Club, Milledgeville, Nashville, Pooler, Richmond Hill, Savannah, Savannah South, Savannah Sunrise, Savannah West, St. Simons Island, Skidaway Island, Statesboro, Tift County, Uptown Macon, Valdosta, Valdosta North, Valdosta Sunrise, Waynesboro, Wrightsville.

Club of the Year



Dublin Rotary Club

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The Rotary Club of Centerville



On March 11, DG Dick Hyer visited The Rotary Club of Centerville and honored the club's 10 new Paul Harris Fellows and six new Multiple Paul Harris Fellows. "I'm so proud of this club's strong commitment to the Rotary Foundation," said Joy Hurst, club president.

Dublin Club Announces Formation of Fund to Honor Two Deceased Past Presidents

The Dublin Rotary Club has publicly announced the formation of the Davis-Hilburn Fund for educational assistance for students. This fund was established in memory of two of the club's past presidents, Jefferson Davis III and James V. Hilburn who were tragically killed in an airplane crash last May 4, the opening day of the 2007 District Conference in Savannah.

"We have intentionally delayed the announcement of this fund in consideration of Jeff and Jim's families," said Frank

W. Seaton, Jr., president-elect of The Dublin Rotary Club. "However, at this time Jim's son-in-law and Jeff's son, both Dublin Rotarians, have authorized us to make a general announcement of this fund to those closest to them and the Rotary District is included in that group."

The club hopes to award the first scholarship in May, around the anniversary of the deaths of Jim and Jeff. The fund is part of a 501© 3 organization and contributions are tax deductible.

'We Are Grateful'

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The District Assembly will be in Dublin on Saturday, June 7 at Heart of Georgia Technical College. Notes for the District Assembly are posted on the website and that is probably the quickest way to get information and to register. Please remember that the Rotary Youth Leadership Awards will be held at South Georgia College in Douglas June 12-15. Contact Dr. Charles Johnson, RYLA Chair, at cjohnson@sgc.edu for further information. I hope your club will send representatives to this quality, annual event for outstanding young people. Both events are listed at www.rotarydistrict6920.net.

Yours for Better Rotary Service,
Richard E. Hyer,
District Governor

Important Dates 2008

- June 7: District Assembly
Dublin/Heart of Georgia Technical College
- June 12-15: Rotary Youth Leadership Awards Conference
Douglas/South Georgia College
- June 15-18, 2008: Rotary International Conference
Los Angeles, CA
- June 15: Special Note to Club Treasurers: Deadline for TRF Contributions

DISTRICT 6920 GOALS 2007-08

I. PROJECTS

- *Place 120 disabled students in competitive employment district-wide
- *Strengthen and continue Medical Equipment Transport Service (METS) Project
- *Sponsor an International Water Project
- *Promote eradication of hunger in the district
- *Promote literacy projects in the district

II. FOUNDATION

- *Reach a goal of \$400,000 - Every Rotarian Every Year (EREY)
- *Obtain 20 Benefactors; 5 Bequest Society Members

III. MEMBERSHIP

- *Continue the Rotary Rookie of the Year Award
- *Grow the District Membership by 1%
- *Organize 1 new Rotary club
- *Organize 1 new Rotaract club
- *Organize 1 new Interact club
- *Create a District-wide Membership Seminar for 100 club leaders

IV. LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT

- *Obtain attendance of 200 at Annual District Seminar
- *Obtain attendance of 150 at District Assembly
- *Obtain attendance of 400 at District Conference
- *Participation by 20 clubs in Group Study Exchange (GSE)
- *Provide a seminar for club secretaries and treasurers

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The Rotary Club of Milledgeville



(Above) Milledgeville Rotary Club President Karen Brooks, right, gives Lori Muggridge from Ocmulgee CASA a check for \$600. The mission of CASA is to speak for the best interests of abused and neglected children in the courts. They promote and support quality volunteer representation for children to provide each child a safe, permanent, nurturing home. Below, Karen presents a \$300 check to Mark Scott of Oak Hill Middle School. The band has performed for the club's annual Christmas gathering for the past few years. Karen said the club is "proud to sponsor such worthy organizations."

