



Upcoming Programs/Meetings



- **March 2 March Board Meeting.**
- **March 3 Presentation of Rotaract Charter.** *Weekly meeting will be held at the new VSU Student Union, tour following.*
- **March 10 State Court.** Judge John Edwards will present.
- **March 17 TBA.**
- **March 24 Community Unification for Educational Excellence.** Leroy Butler and Rusty Griffin will present.

Upcoming Greeter Schedule

Date	Greeter 1	Greeter 2
February 24	Jack Hearn	Arthur Herndon
March 3	TBA	TBA
March 10	John Johnston	Bill Kent
March 17	Sharon LaBranche	John Lahood
March 24	Claire Lee	Bill Lester

The Four Way Test

of the things we think, say, or do:

1. Is it the TRUTH?
2. Is it FAIR to all concerned?
3. Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

Area Meetings

Nashville Tues. Noon, Cadillac Ranch	Tifton Tues & Wed. Noon, Holiday Inn
Madison, Fla. Wed. Noon, E & J's Restaurant	Quitman Thurs. 12:00 p.m., Presbyterian Home
Valdosta North Tues. 12:30 p.m., Conference Center	Valdosta Sunrise Thurs. 7:30 a.m., Kinderlou-Ravine

Check us out on the web!
www.valdostarotary.org

Rotarians

h Joyce Aigen	h John Gaston	pp*h John Page
h Sam Allen	h Chuck Gibson	h Keven Parks
h Cobb Atkinson	h Wendell Godbee	h Henry Parrish
h Myrna Ballard	h Bob Goddard, III	pp*h Suzannah Patterson
pp*h Richard Barnes	h Tim Golden	Giuseppe Pistelli
Felecia Barnes	h Tom Gooding	pp*h*w Jennifer Powell
h*w Keith Barrett	Deland Guthrie	pp*h*w Malcolm Rainey
Willie Beasley	Daniel Harrelson	h Greg Reid
pp*h*w Bill Booth	h Owen Harris	h Chris Roan
h Ron Borders	h Jack Hartley	Burt Rutland
h Rebecca Brice	h Jack Hearn	h*w Randy Sauls
pp*h James Bridges	h Arthur Herndon	h Wes Sewell
h Bo Broadfoot	h Al Howell	Corinne Simmons
h Nathan Brown	h John Johnston	h Arthur Smith
Shaun Buford	h Bill Kent	h Steven Smith
h Stacy Bush	Barbara Knight	h Richard Stalvey
h Sandy Campbell	h Sharon LaBranche	h Joe Stubbs
Mason Caracciolo	h John Lahood	Robert Stump
h Claire Lee	h John Thomas	h William Tidmore
pp*h Carl Cates	h Bill Lester	pp*h*w Al Turner
h Patti Clark	Jerry Long	h Patsy Tyler
h Russ Collett	h Terri Lupo	h Nicholas Valenti
pp*h Marshall Conner	Tim Mabe	pp*h Donnie Warren
pp*h* Joe Cordova	p*h Dennis Marks	h Nancy Warren
h Bruce Cousins	pp*w*h Billy Martin	h Ed Willis
h Randy Cox	h Greg Martin	h Clint Wills
pp*h*w Ed Crane	h Traycee Martin	h Rich Yokeley
pp*h*w V.L. Daughtery Jr.	Richard May	
h Donald Davis	pp*h*w Alex McFadden	
pp*h James Dominey	pp*h*w Arthur McLane	
h Beverly Edwards	pp*h Tyson McLane	
h John Edwards	h Roy McNeal	
h Moshe Elbaz	h Harriet Messcher	
h Walter Elliott	Walter Moody	
h Ottis Fausett, III	Bob Moon	
h Bill Feimster	Ronald Moore	
h John Fretti	h Kerry Morris	
h Bob Ganzak	h Casey Music	
h Laverne Gaskins	h Tyrone O'Steen	

w — Will Watt Fellow

pp — Past President

h — Paul Harris Fellow

p — Club President



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"Service Above Self"

The Rotary Club of Valdosta

A 100% Paul Harris Fellow Club

Club No. 4220

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February 24, 2010

Today's Program

February 24, 2010

ANNUAL HIGH SCHOOL SPEECH CONTEST

Initiated in 1995 by Dublin Rotarian and Past District Governor, Preston Johnson, the District 6920 Rotary Speech Contest is a special project engaging Rotarians, Educators and Students in a meaningful and rewarding opportunity for personal development of our nation's future leaders.

Originally named the 4-Way Test Speech Contest, the contest evolved over the years to focus on the current International President's Annual Theme.

Whether, the 4-Way Test or the International President's Annual Theme, the basic premise remains: the speech contest requires students to research and learn about Rotary in preparing a short speech; in doing so, the students as well as all audience members receive an invaluable review of the great service which is Rotary.





New Member Spotlight



Meet Walt Moody

Walt Moody is a lifelong resident of the Valdosta area and owner of Moody Law Firm, LLC. He is a 2005 graduate of Florida State University College of Law and a member of the state bars in Georgia and Florida. He is also a member of the Valdosta Bar Association, the Valdosta-Lowndes Chamber of Commerce and the National Network of Estate Planning Attorneys.

Before opening his law firm in May 2007, Walt worked as an analyst for James, Hoyer, Newcomer & Smiljanich, P.A. in Tallahassee. He enjoys turkey hunting, dog training and cooking in his spare time. We welcome Walt as a new member of The Valdosta Rotary Club!



District News

Have You Purchased Your Raffle Tickets?

FOUR exciting and interesting trips will be awarded to **FOUR** lucky winners at the **6920 District Conference** on

April 23-25, 2010.

\$25 per Ticket - 5 Tickets for \$100

GRAND PRIZE

HAWAII

SECOND PRIZE

BERMUDA

THIRD PRIZE

SAN FRANCISCO

FOURTH PRIZE

SANTA FE

Contact Club Secretary Barbara Knight or member John Johnston to purchase.

2010 District Conference

April 23-25, 2010

Jekyll Island Convention Center

Jekyll Island, GA

Mark Your Calendars! Our goal is to have 10% of the club in attendance.



Program News



What is Interact?



Interact is Rotary International's service club for young people ages 14 to 18. Interact clubs are sponsored by individual Rotary clubs, which provide support and guidance, but they are self-governing and self-supporting.

Club membership varies greatly. Clubs can be single gender or mixed, large or small. They can draw from the student body of a single school or from two or more schools in the same community. Interact has a membership of over 250,000 youth in more than 11,000 clubs worldwide. It's one of Rotary's fastest growing programs. With clubs in over 120 countries and geographical areas, Interact is truly an international phenomenon.

Each year, Interact clubs complete at least two community service projects, one of which furthers international understanding and goodwill. Through these efforts, Interactors develop a network of friendships with local and overseas clubs and learn the importance of

- Developing leadership skills and personal integrity
- Demonstrating helpfulness and respect for others
- Understanding the value of individual responsibility and hard work
- Advancing international understanding and goodwill

Interact's global youth network is dedicated to community and international service. Every Interact club project, great or small, has a lasting impact on society worldwide. Brazil, India, the Philippines, and the United States boast the highest number of Interact clubs.



RI News



Rotary's 105 Birthday



The first four Rotarians: (left to right) Gustavus Loehr, Silvester Schiele, Hiram Shorey, and Paul Harris. *Rotary Images*.

During the first Rotary club meeting on 23 February 1905 in Chicago, Paul Harris, Gustavus Loehr, Hiram Shorey, and Silvester Schiele met to talk about their personal experiences. Harris then unfolded his general plan for their club meetings.

This was the simple beginning of the world's first service club, the Rotary Club of Chicago. It was created because of Harris' wish to capture in a professional club the same friendly spirit he had felt in the small towns of his youth. The Rotary name derived from the early practice of rotating meetings among members' offices.

Rotarians continue to take pride in their history. In honor of that first club, Rotarians have preserved its original meeting place, Room 711 in Chicago's Unity Building, by re-creating the office as it existed in 1905. For several years, the Paul Harris 711 Club maintained the room as a shrine for visiting Rotarians. In 1989, when the building was scheduled to be demolished, the club carefully dismantled the office and salvaged the interior, including doors and radiators. In 1993, the RI Board of Directors set aside a permanent home for the restored Room 711 at RI World Headquarters in the Chicago suburb of Evanston.

Today, more than 1.2 million Rotarians belong to over 32,000 Rotary clubs in more than 200 countries and geographical areas.

For more historical information about Rotary, visit the history pages in the *AboutUs* section of www.rotary.org.