



## Upcoming Programs/Meetings



- **April 6 April Board Meeting**
- **April 23 - 25 District Conference.** Jekyll Island Convention Center, Jekyll Island, Georgia.

### Upcoming Greeter Schedule

Date	Greeter 1	Greeter 2
March 31	Claire Lee	Terri Lupo
April 7	Tim Mabe	Billy Martin
April 14	Greg Martin	Richard May
April 21	Arthur McLane	Tyson McLane
April 28	Roy McNeal	Harriet Messcher

## 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

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

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[www.valdostarotary.org](http://www.valdostarotary.org)

## Rotarians

h Joyce Aigen	h John Gaston	pp <sup>h</sup> 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 <sup>h</sup> Suzannah Patterson
Felecia Barnes	h Tim Golden	Giuseppe Pistelli
pp <sup>h</sup> Richard Barnes	h Tom Gooding	pp <sup>h</sup> w Jennifer Powell
h <sup>w</sup> Keith Barrett	Deland Guthrie	pp <sup>h</sup> *w Malcolm Rainey
Willie Beasley	Daniel Harrelson	h Greg Reid
pp <sup>h</sup> *w Bill Booth	h Owen Harris	h Chris Roan
h Ron Borders	h Jack Hartley	Burt Rutland
h Rebecca Brice	h Jack Hearn	h <sup>w</sup> Randy Sauls
pp <sup>h</sup> James Bridges	h Arthur Herndon	h Wes Sewell
h Bo Broadfoot	h Al Howell	Corinne Simmons
h Nathan Brown	pp <sup>h</sup> 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	pp <sup>h</sup> Robert Stump
pp <sup>h</sup> Carl Cates	h Claire Lee	h John Thomas
h Patti Clark	h Bill Lester	h William Tidmore
h Russ Collett	Jerry Long	pp <sup>h</sup> *w Al Turner
pp <sup>h</sup> Marshall Conner	h Terri Lupo	h <sup>w</sup> Patsy Tyler
pp <sup>h</sup> Joe Cordova	pp <sup>h</sup> Tim Mabe	pp <sup>h</sup> *w Nicholas Valenti
h Bruce Cousins	p <sup>h</sup> Dennis Marks	h Donnie Warren
h Randy Cox	pp <sup>h</sup> *w Billy Martin	h Nancy Warren
pp <sup>h</sup> *w Ed Crane	h Greg Martin	h Ryan Williams
pp <sup>h</sup> *w V.L. Daughtery Jr.	pp <sup>h</sup> *w Richard May	h Ed Willis
h Donald Davis	h <sup>w</sup> Alex McFadden	h Clint Wills
pp <sup>h</sup> James Dominey	pp <sup>h</sup> *w Arthur McLane	h Rich Yokeley
h Beverly Edwards	pp <sup>h</sup> *w Tyson McLane	
h John Edwards	h Roy McNeal	
h Moshe Elbaz	h Harriet Messcher	
h Walter Elliott	Walter Moody	
h Otis 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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# Rota-Reel

*"Service Above Self"*

## The Rotary Club of Valdosta

*A 100% Paul Harris Fellow Club*

Club No. 4220

Est. 1919

### Officers

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Carl Cates

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Bo Broadfoot

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Kerry Morris

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### VSU Interns

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Glenna R. Parkman

## Today's Program

March 31, 2010

Rainwater  
CONFERENCE CENTER

The Valdosta-Lowndes County Conference Center & Tourism Authority is a "destination marketing organization" with a mission to sell the community by developing an image that will position Valdosta-Lowndes County in the marketplace for visitors and meetings. The Tourism Authority operates both the James H. Rainwater Conference Center and the Valdosta-Lowndes County Convention and Visitors Bureau.

The conference center offers flexible space to hold meetings, conferences, banquets, and exhibitions for groups of up to 700 people. It includes state-of-the-art AV services, wireless internet and gourmet catering. The Valdosta-Lowndes County Convention and Visitors Bureau markets the area to visitors who discover a wide choice of activities, such as Wild Adventures theme park, PGA-style golf, shopping, southern charm and hospitality, a rich history and historical sites, excellent hunting, and many other activities that can be arranged by the CVB.





## Club News



# 5 for the Fifth

Today is a fifth Wednesday! Each fifth Wednesday we are asking every member to give \$5. As you Pause-to-Pass the cups this week, we encourage you to reach deeper than just your pocket change. This gift will help the club exceed this year's goal of \$2000 to be given to the RI Foundation.

### Today's Program - Tim Mabe



Today's program is being brought to us by our very own **Tim Mabe**. Tim serves as the executive director of the Valdosta-Lowndes County Conference Center and Tourism Authority. Born and raised in Winston-Salem, N.C., Tim received a bachelor's degree in management and public administration and an MBA from Texas A&M University. Tim is one of only two people worldwide to hold all three of the hospitality industry's top certification designations. Those designations include Certified Facility Executive, Certified Meeting Professional, and Global Certification in Strategic Planning.

A Rotarian since 1990, Tim is past president of Garland Rotary Club in Garland, Texas and is a Paul Harris Fellow. Tim and his wife Debbie have three sons and two grandchildren.

### Chilean Relief Effort

Please remember that over 2 million homeless Chileans need your help. To donate, make your tax deductible checks to "Chile Fund." You can give the gift to **Joe Cordova**, club secretary **Barbara Knight**, President **Dennis Marks**, club treasurer **Nick Valenti**, or have Barbara add it to your bill. Checks may also be sent directly to Guardian Bank, PO Box 3340, Valdosta, GA 31604 or any Guardian branch.



## Time is running out

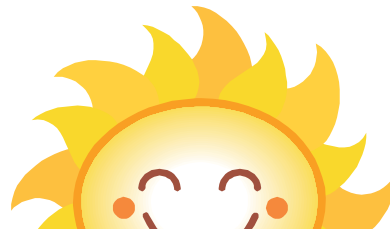
### to get your 2010 district raffle tickets.

### See Barbara Knight or John Johnston

# TODAY!



## Last Week's Meeting



Bringing Sunshine to the club last week was **Donald Davis**. After introducing our guests for the day, Davis gave a very informative and entertaining lesson on the many, many definitions of the not-so-simple word, **UP**.



### Community Unification for Excellence

CUEE



James Bridges



Leroy Butler, Jr.



Rusty Griffin, Jr.

Speaking on the topic of Community Unification for Educational Excellence (CUEE) were Leroy Butler, Jr. and Rusty Griffin, Jr. The program was introduced by Past President **James Bridges**. CUEE grew out of the Chamber's 2012 Initiative. The Chamber gathered 70 community leaders to discuss ways to improve the future of our community...social, business, educational, industrial development, and quality of life. It was concluded by the 2012 Initiative that a unified school system would best serve the purpose of providing the optimum platform for educational improvement that could stay abreast of future jobs and careers. From that came the CUEE Initiative, whose top priority is the education of our community's students, which strongly relates to our future workforce.



### Last Week's Attendance & Donations

Attendance: 53 of 105 members

Happy Dollars: \$ 17.00

CART Fund: \$ 65.68



## Rotary International Rotary Taps Into Clean Water



A child bathes in the streets of La Grúa, Dominican Republic. Rotarians are educating people in the community about the effects of contaminated water. *Rotary Images/Alyce Henson*

More than two million people die each year because they lack access to safe drinking water and proper sanitation. To draw attention to the need for action, Rotarians joined the world on 22 March to observe World Water Day. Established by the United Nations in 1992, World Water Day highlights the increasing demands being placed on the world's freshwater supplies. This year's theme "Clean Water for a Healthy World" focuses on the importance of water quality.

Water and sanitation issues are a top concern for Rotary clubs, says RI President John Kenny. In 2007, he was presented with the President's Award for Outstanding Voluntary Service to WaterAid. "I ask you particularly to focus on water and sanitation, as the scarcity of clean water is an increasingly serious issue in many parts of the world," says Kenny.

From 1978 through 2009, The Rotary Foundation awarded more than 4,900 grants totaling US\$52.7 million for water projects worldwide. Such club and district efforts are aimed at helping to meet the UN Millennium Development Goals, which include halving by 2015 the proportion of the population without sustainable access to safe drinking water and basic sanitation.

"This is an enormous challenge for humanity, and Rotary clubs are logical leaders in the challenge because they are embedded in their local communities, allowing for the clubs to help define realistic solutions to local problems," says F. Ronald Denham, chair of the Water and Sanitation Rotarian Action Group. Denham joined U.S. Secretary of State Hillary Clinton and other speakers on 22 March in Washington, D.C., for a World Water Day conference. Co-hosted by the nonprofit group Water Advocates and the National Geographic Society, the event will showcase new commitments in water and sanitation by the U.S. government, philanthropic foundations, corporations, universities, and other organizations.

On World Water Day in 2009, Rotary International launched an alliance with USAID to implement long-term water, sanitation, and hygiene projects in the Dominican Republic, Ghana, and the Philippines.

To learn more about Rotary International projects visit [www.rotary.org](http://www.rotary.org)