

Club Information



Upcoming Programs/Meetings

- **TODAY - AIR EVAC LIFETEAM** - Al Groover & Tony Sumrow
- **May 11 - GRSP Recap** - Benjamin Ikaal
- **May 18 - Interact & Rotaract Recap** - Students
- **May 25 - CUEE** - Tom Currie

Upcoming Greeter Schedule

Date	Greeter 1	Greeter 2
May 4	Tyrone O'Steen	John Page
May 11	Keven Parks	Henry Parrish
May 18	Suzannah Patterson	Charles Powell
May 25	Jennifer Powell	Malcolm Rainey

Area Rotary Meetings

Nashville - Tuesday - Noon
Cadillac Ranch

Madison, FL - Wednesday - Noon
St. Vincent DePaul Catholic Church

Valdosta North - Tuesday - 12:15 p.m.
Rainwater Conference Center

Tifton - Tuesday - Noon
Harpers at the Myron Hotel

Tifton - Wednesday - 12:15 p.m.
Georgia Agrirama Museum Dining

Quitman - Thursday - Noon
Presbyterian Homes of Georgia

Valdosta Sunrise - Thursday - 7:30 a.m.
Kinderlou - Ravine

FOUR-WAY TEST

ROTARIANS
STRIVE TO
LIVE AND
CONDUCT
BUSINESS
USING THESE
GUIDELINES

- ✓ Is it the TRUTH?
- ✓ Is it FAIR to all concerned?
- ✓ Will it build GOODWILL and better FRIENDSHIPS?
- ✓ Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

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For Rota-Reel corrections or comments please contact Kerry Morris at: kwmorris@valdostarotary.org or call 229.245.3828.

Rotarians

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| h Joyce Aigen ★ | h Laverne Gaskins | Ivan Nikolov |
| h* w Sam Allen ★ | h John Gaston | h Tyrone O'Steen |
| h* w Myrna Ballard ★ | h Wendell Godbee | pp* h John Page
2003-2004 |
| Anne Barnas ★ | h Bob Goddard, III | h Keven Parks |
| Felecia Barnes ★ | h Tim Golden | h Henry Parrish |
| pp* h Richard Barnes
2006-2007 | h Tom Gooding | pp* h Suzannah Patterson
2005-2006 |
| h* w Keith Barrett | Lacie Guy ★ | Charles Powell ★ |
| pp* h* w Bill Booth ★
1999-2000 | h* w Owen Harris ★ | pp* h* w Jennifer Powell
1993-1994 |
| h Ron Borders | h Jack Hartley ★ | pp* h* w Malcolm Rainey
1972-1973 (Verona, NJ) |
| h Bo Broadfoot | h Jack Hearn ★ | h* w Patsy Reaves |
| h* w Nathan Brown | h Arthur Herndon ★ | h Greg Reid ★ |
| h* w Stacy Bush | h Al Howell | h* w Chris Roan ★ |
| h Sandy Campbell ★ | h Matthew Jansen | Sonia Robinson |
| h Mason Caracciolo | h* w Bill Kent | Bert Rutland |
| pp* h* w Carl Cates ★
2008-2009 | h Barbara Knight ★ | h* w Randy Sauls ★ |
| h Patti Clark | h Sharon LaBranche ★ | h Wes Sewell ★ |
| h Russ Collett | h* w John LaHood | Jimmy Shiver |
| pp* h Marshall Conner ★
1997-1998 | h Claire Lee ★ | Corinne Simmons |
| pp* h* w Joe Cordova ★
1977-1978 | h Bill Lester | h Arthur Smith |
| h Bruce Cousins | h Jerry Long | h Steven Smith ★ |
| h Lee Cox | h Terri Lupo ★ | h* w Richard Stalvey ★ |
| h Randy Cox ★ | pp* h Dennis Marks ★
2009-2010 | Alison Still |
| pp* h* w Ed Crane ★ | pp* h* w Billy Martin
1985-1986 | h Joe Stubbs |
| h John Crawford | h Greg Martin | pp* h Robert Stump |
| pp* h* w V.L. Daughtery Jr.
2002-2003 | pp* h* w Richard May | Alex Thomas |
| h Donald Davis ★ | pp* h* w Arthur McLane ★
1984-1985 | h John Thomas |
| pp* h James Dominey ★
2007-2008 | pp* h* w Tyson McLane ★
1972-1973 | h William Tidmore |
| h Beverly Edwards ★ | h* w Roy McNeal ★ | pp* h* w Al Turner ★
1992-1993 |
| h John Edwards ★ | h Harriet Messcher | pp* h* w Nicholas Valenti ★
2000-2001 |
| h Moshe Elbaz | Zach Miller ★ | h Donnie Warren |
| p* h Walter Elliott ★ | Bob Montgomery | h* w Nancy Warren ★ |
| h Trey Fausett | Walter Moody | h Ryan Williams |
| h Bill Feimster | h Bob Moon | h Ed Willis |
| h John Fretti ★ | h Kerry Morris ★ | h Clint Wills ★ |
| h Bob Ganzak | Susan Mullis ★ | Baha Zeidan |
| | h Casey Music ★ | |

h - Paul Harris Fellow w - Will Watt Fellow p - Club President pp - Past President ★ Lead Dinner Supporter



"Service Above Self"

Officers

- President**
Walter Elliott
- President Elect**
Greg Reid
- Past President**
Dennis Marks
- Treasurer**
Nick Valenti
- Secretary**
Barbara Knight
- Sergeant at Arms**
Bill Booth

Board of Directors

- Myrna Ballard
Bo Broadfoot
Patti Clark
Kerry Morris
Bob Moon
Greg Reid
Wes Sewell
Nancy Warren
Rich Yokeley

District 6920 Gov.

- Lloyd Horadan
District 6920 Dir.
Bill Booth

District 6920 A.G.

- Bob Harrison
RI President
Ray Klinginsmith
GRSP Student
Benjamin Ikaal
Spring Intern
Sonia Robinson

Rota - Reel

The Rotary Club of Valdosta

"A 100% Paul Harris Fellow Club"

Today's Program

May 4, 2011



Tony Sumrow & Alan Groover

Air Evac EMS, Inc., which operates Air Evac Lifeteam, is the largest independently owned and operated membership-supported air medical service in the United States, conducting its operations through 95 mutually-supporting air medical bases across 14 states.

The Company operates the world's largest fleet of more than 110 medically-equipped Bell 206 Long Ranger helicopters and has safely flown more than 225,000 people who were in critical need of care since its founding. The current service area includes operations in Alabama, Arkansas, Georgia, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kentucky, Mississippi, Missouri, Ohio, Oklahoma, Tennessee, Texas and West Virginia, with the company being the largest air ambulance provider in 8 of its 14 states.

Today's program is being brought to us by Tony Sumrow, Program Director and Al Groover, Membership Sales Manager for Air Evac 90 in Ware County Georgia.

Tony is a retired Army medic/pilot and has been with Air Evac Lifeteam for four years. Al is on the Board of Elders at Emanuel Baptist Church in Jesup, Georgia and has been with Air Evac Lifeteam for just over one year.



Club Service



Adopt-A-Highway Update

We have a brief report from Saturday's *Adopt-A-Highway* trash pick-up program. **Myrna Ballard** reports that there were six Rotarians that participated. They worked quickly collecting 25 bags of trash all before 10:00 AM Saturday morning. Unfortunately there are no pictures to document the work day, and a couple of volunteers reported to the wrong South Georgia Pecan site. Next time we should include more directions because this reporter did the same thing in November. Meanwhile we want to thank Myrna for organizing this service opportunity, and we'll work to get a list of the names of those that helped.

May Birthdays

Art Smith – 6th	Clint Wills – 18th
Sandy Campbell – 11th	Joyce Aigen – 21st
Marshall Conner – 12th	Casey Music – 22nd
Beverly Edwards – 15th	Tyrone O'Steen – 23rd
Patsy Reaves – 17th	Al Howell – 29th

If your name and birthday have been omitted from the Rota Reel and you wish to be included, please contact club secretary **Barbara Knight** to update your record.

District Conference



MAY 13-15, 2011

*Marriott Augusta Hotel and Suites
Augusta, Georgia*

MAKE PLANS NOW TO ATTEND



Procrastination is often thought of as a characteristic of a cautious observer. In this case, it may actually work to the benefit of our district procrastinators. The block of rooms reserved by the District for our conference has been filled. Conference Chair, Dallas Simon has been successful in identifying several other properties in a close proximity to the Marriott. The hotels identified have a variety of prices and are available in most cases for equal or less than the conference hotel. There is no Rotary Block. Just register at your choice of accommodation.

May 4, at 11 a.m. (NOT p.m. as stated earlier) is also the deadline to register for the conference on line. This is the simplest and fastest method for signing up for the conference. Don't procrastinate again. Register for the conference and for your rooms now! See you in Augusta!!!!

DG Lloyd

Last Week's Meeting



CHOICES



Last week's program was brought to us by Keyara Hamilton and Curt Fowler. Keyara spoke briefly on Chamber programs that may be of interest to our members. Afterwards, Curt spoke in greater detail about the CHOICES program. The CHOICES program is a program that addresses two problems facing students today. The program attacks dropout rates and how to accomplish goals to keep students in school.

In the fall, the Rotary Club of Valdosta joined forces with Valdosta North and Valdosta Sunrise Rotary clubs to bring the CHOICES program to our local schools. The clubs jointly applied for a Rotary District Simplified Grant. The grant was approved, trainers have been trained, and the program is being delivered to local students.

Each school day 7,000 students become dropouts nationwide. The Valdosta-Lowndes County Chamber is working diligently to address this epidemic in the local community through the CHOICES Program. This program empowers our future workforce to make the best educational decisions possible by putting them in front of business volunteers who share how decisions made now directly impact their future.

During the course of the year, nearly 1,500 eighth graders throughout the community will have an opportunity to participate in CHOICES. Challenge yourself to give back by joining this effort to make a difference in the lives of our future generation. Visit www.ValdostaChamber.com to register for upcoming CHOICES Presenter Training or contact Keyara Hamilton directly at 229-247-8100 or khamilton@valdostachamber.com.



Our greeters, Dr. Ivan Nikolov (c) & Casey Music (r) are seen here welcoming Nancy Warren. Thank you Dr. Nikolov and Casey for stepping up and helping.

Ty O'Steen welcomed our guests and brought our Sunshine Report. Ty gave some very interesting pointers on how to react if you get caught sleeping at your desk. I did see a few guest taking notes.



Attendance & Donations



Attendance: 50 of 107
Happy Dollars: \$ 35.00
CART Fund: \$ 48.37

Rotary International



Rotary Ambassadorial Scholars



One of the world's largest privately sponsored international scholarship programs focuses on humanitarian service, personal diplomacy, and academic excellence.

More than 400 university students from 40 countries have been selected to study abroad as Rotary Ambassadorial Scholars during the 2011-12 academic year.

Rotary Ambassadorial Scholarships provide undergraduate and graduate students the opportunity to study at universities in the 200 countries and geographical areas where Rotary clubs are active. While abroad, scholars participate in community service projects and speak at local Rotary club meetings and conferences, schools, civic organizations, and other forums where they serve as "goodwill ambassadors" for their home countries.

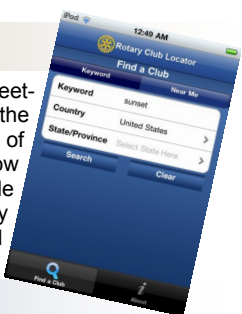
In 2010-11 nearly 500 scholars from some 50 countries studied in more than 60 nations, at a program cost of approximately \$12.5 million. Top U.S. universities sending Rotary Scholars abroad for the 2011-12 academic year include:

- United States Military Academy (eight scholars)
- Chapman University (four scholars)
- United States Naval Academy (four scholars)
- University of Pittsburgh (four scholars)
- Vanderbilt University (four scholars)

As one of the world's largest privately sponsored international scholarship programs, Rotary Ambassadorial scholars focus on humanitarian service, personal diplomacy, and academic excellence. Since 1947, approximately 40,000 students from 130 countries have received scholarships at a cost of more than \$532 million from the program through the Rotary Foundation of Rotary International. Alumni include former U.S. Federal Reserve Chairman Paul Volcker Jr., former U.S. Ambassador to the United Kingdom Philip Lader, Goucher College President Sanford Ungar, former US Ambassador to India David Mulford, and Pulitzer Prize-winning film critic Roger Ebert. For more information visit www.Rotary.org.

Rotary Club Locator

Rotary International is now making it easier to make up meetings and visit with fellow Rotarians around the world. With the vacation season soon upon us, you can have a complete list of Rotary clubs as close as the palm of your hand. You can now search for a Rotary club with RI's free iPhone app. In the Apple app store it's called the **Rotary Club Locator** from Rotary International. The app also will soon be offered for Android and BlackBerry phones.



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