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Furman’s Chandler speaks March 26

Judith Chandler is the speaker for the March 26th meeting of Greenville Rotary Club. Her topic will be “After September 11: Making a Difference, One Person at a Time.”

Chandler, a native of Greenville, has been associate director of the division of continuing education at Furman University since 1996. Prior to that, she was on the faculty of the University of Georgia with the Fanning Leadership Center, teaching community leadership skills throughout the state of Georgia and also in Poland for the USDA.

At Furman, Chandler directs “Bridges to a Brighter Future,” a three-year, academic enrichment program for outstanding young people from Greenville County schools “whose potential outdistances their (families’ financial) circumstances.”

Chandler is a member of Foothills Rotary Club, serves on the School Improvement Committee of Travelers Rest High School and on the board of directors of “Connections: Women Leaders in the Upstate,” and teaches Sunday School at Westminster Presbyterian Church.

A former newspaper columnist and commentator for Georgia Public Radio, Chandler is an active community volunteer — devoting much of her time to public schools, women’s concerns, leadership development, and lifelong learning.

**Reminder: The March 26th meeting
will be held upstairs in the Gold Room**

Here's an easy way to become a PHF

Here's a reminder that most Rotarians in District 7750 have an unprecedented opportunity to become a Paul Harris Fellow or a Multiple Level PHF. The Leila J. Goldsmith Estate left almost \$87,000 to the PolioPlus Program, and because of this most generous gift our District 7750 has earned PHF matching points (a point equals one dollar). This estate gift can be used to match dollar-for-dollar contributions for first-time Paul Harris Fellows and Multiple PHFs.

A gift of \$1,000 to the Rotary Foundation makes a Rotarian a Paul Harris Fellow. Or, a Rotarian can make a gift of \$1,000 in either the name of another Rotarian or someone special in his or her life and that honored person will become a Paul Harris Fellow.

Here's how this special, one-time Special PHF Promotion will work. A Rotarian can make a gift for as little as \$100 or for a maximum of \$500. PDG George Rodgers is the District's Foundation Chairman and is coordinating this special program. Matching gifts should be sent to George Rodgers, 336 Woodland Way, Clemson, 29631. This matching gift is offered on a "first come" basis, and gifts must be made by individuals.

The checks should be accompanied by a statement showing the Rotarian's club, the name of the person to get the credit and the name of the club contact. Jim Blakely, our Rotary Club Foundation Chairman; Frank Kolb, our club executive secretary-treasurer; or Vickie Pittman, our club administrative assistant, can help club members determine how much is in their Rotary Foundation account.

The Family of Rotary

Sympathy is expressed to Bob Atkinson in the loss of his wife, *Greenville News* writer Alyce Atkinson, and to Pat Currie in the death of his 17-year-old son Andy, in an automobile accident in Tennessee.

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Lynn shares wisdom with Rotary

The March 12th meeting marked the revival of Rotary's "Shadowing Day," and guest speaker Louis Lynn offered to the students and club members some choice aphorisms good for all.

Here are some of them:

- Keep learning. Especially important is what you learn after you know it all.
- Success is a constant journey, not a destination. What got you here today will not keep you there tomorrow.
- Avoid shortcuts. For everything of value, there is a price to pay.
- Do not pay double for the same mistake.
- When you're in a hole, stop digging.
- Maintain an attitude of gratitude.
- See the possibilities even before they become obvious.
- Focus. Find the one thing you can do and do it. If you try to chase two rabbits, both will get away.
- Pursue your purpose, not just a career.

Lynn, president of Enviro AgScience, spoke on the subject "When I grow up, I want to be like you." He called on the young people attending as Rotary guests to make the commitments "that separate the dreamers from the doers."

He challenged them to be, not "cop-outs, hold-outs or drop-outs, but all-outs." He told his audience, "Set your goals and then pay the price to meet those goals."

He said that a career wisely chosen builds character, which he defined as a person's "total moral qualities and ethical standards."

He urged the youth especially to remember that "people who accomplish big things did small things well."

Forty students from Berea, Carolina, Greenville and Wade Hampton high schools participated in "Shadowing Day" — a morning spent observing Rotarians where they work.



Louis Lynn, a member of Spring Valley Rotary Club in Columbia, presented his club's flag to Greenville Rotary President Beth Padgett.

President's Corner

I want to thank all Rotarians who participated in our Rotary Shadowing Day. You shared the world of work with about 40 school students, and I'm sure they benefited from the experience. Roger Stone gets much of the credit for working so hard coordinating this day. The only unfortunate aspect was that we had more Rotarians willing to be mentors this year than we had student participants. Maybe the students will have had such a great time that they will encourage their friends to sign up next year for Shadowing Day.

Marilyn Nasiatto of the Greenville County School District also did a great job in helping Roger Stone coordinate this successful club project. She sent me the following thank you note, and I eagerly share it with all of you:

"Dear Beth, On behalf of the School District of Greenville County, I'd like to thank you and the Downtown Rotary Club for sponsoring Rotary Vocational Day. We appreciate your sharing of the real world of work concepts that have to be experienced firsthand for understanding. Roger Stone did a great job aligning student interests with Rotarian professions! Thank you for providing this wonderful opportunity. Sincerely, Marilyn Nasiatto."

— Beth Padgett

New Members Proposed _____

Cynthia Eason, Dean of Continuing Education, Greenville Technical College, under the classification of Continuing Education, sponsored by Jan Cross and Roxanne Cromartie.

Susan Boyd Hoag, Senior Vice President, South Trust Bank, under the classification of Banking, sponsored by Phillip Kilgore and Bob Knight.

Alex F. McNair, Sales, Marsh USA, Inc., under the classification of Sales, sponsored by Lee Palms and Elizabeth Lyons.

Rotarians introduced

New members introduced to Greenville Rotary at the March 12th meeting were **Bill Harner, Aaron Jones** and **Charles Williams**.

Tell us about it

When you have news to report about your career and family, send it to the *Greenville Rotarian* for publication, P.O. Box 2168, Greenville, S.C. 29602; fax 232-8488; or e-mail don@baptistcourier.com.



'Shadowing Day' makes a big hit

Randy Bell enjoyed lunch with his "shadow" — Allison Smith, a senior at Carolina High School, who plans to enter the University of South Carolina in the fall. Her interest is biology, especially genetics.

World's Rotaractors celebrate birthday

Rotaractors and Rotarians across the world celebrated World Rotaract Week March 11-17. The event commemorated the charter of the first Rotaract club on March 13 in Charlotte, N.C.

During the week, Rotaract clubs and their sponsoring Rotary clubs participated in a variety of projects aimed at celebrating the service opportunities that the birth of Rotaract has made available to young people ages 18-30 who wish to serve their community before they are qualified and ready to join a Rotary club.