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December 23rd



'Enthusiastic response' for project

The Rotary Club of Greenville's centennial project to help develop a literacy center at the YWCA is meeting with "enthusiastic response from our members," according to President Terry Weaver.

Weaver said that grants totaling \$60,000 have already come in from John I. Smith Charities and the Hollingsworth Foundation. In addition, the five metro area Rotary club partners have pledged \$38,000, with the Downtown Club committed to raising \$77,000 internally.

One of the donations from Greenville Rotary, Weaver said, is a \$10,000 gift for one of the "named room" opportunities.

The campaign to raise funds from corporate sponsors has just begun and the process of working out the details of construction is in its final stages.

New Members Proposed _____

Gary L. Daniels Jr., Vice President of Operations of Rigid Packaging, Package Supply, under the classification of Packaging, sponsored by Jim Stewart and Collin Mackie.

Ravi G. Sastry, Vice President of Marketing, Kemet Electronics, under the classification of Electronics Manufacturing, sponsored by Terry Weaver and Myles Golden.

Carolyn M. Schoepf, President and Owner, Corporate Raves (a corporate event and wedding planning firm), under the classification of Special Events Coordinator, sponsored by Kitty Allen and Jan Cross.

Thomas R. "Tommy" Young IV, Account Manager-Sales, Young Office Supply, under the classification of Office Equipment Sales, sponsored by Marion Young and Lewis Freeman.

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Thank you, Greenville Rotary

By Terry Weaver, President

The holiday season is a good time to reflect on what we do as a Rotary Club, and why. Many of us don't get to see a lot of the Community Service or International Service projects we do, and we may sometimes wonder whether we're making a difference.

One of the privileges of being President is that I get the mail from some of those whom we've touched over the year. I thought I'd share a few of those cards and letters with you.

Laura Patterson, winner of our Teacher of the Year award — and a \$1,000 check — writes, "Please know that your support has a positive impact on the way those of us in education view ourselves and our career choices. [Rotary is] making a difference." Mary Berry, a runner-up, writes, "I enjoyed hearing about your many activities and projects. It must be exciting to be a part of such a vital organization." Fran Mauney, another runner-up, says, "It's not often that I get out of the classroom to have lunch with adults. You can imagine how special you and the Rotarians made me feel."

We're beginning to receive thank-you notes for the \$10,000 in grants we recently awarded to seven community service agencies. These grants and our other community service projects are largely funded through our Holiday Lights income. And, we got a newsy card from Hank Southgate, a Rotary Ambassadorial Scholar sponsored by our Club, who is enjoying the Christmas season as part of his year of study in Germany, thanks to your generosity through the RI Foundation.

Yes, we ARE making a difference — in hundreds of places and the lives of thousands of people. I thought you'd want to know.

Happy Holidays.

The Family of Rotary

Two new members were introduced at the December 9 meeting — **Al Bell** and **Larry Rinne**.

The next **Health and Happiness Hour** is scheduled for January 19. Details to be announced later.

While you're at it, mark your calendars for **two special upcoming Rotary meetings**: Law Day on February 10 and Vocational Day on March 9.

And one more thing: In the yearbook, the **final meeting day** of club year 2003-04 is listed as June 24. It should be June 22.

Finally, here's an **update on the Centennial Project**: The club has received an in-kind donation of carpet for the Literacy Center, a \$1,000 stock gift from a club member, and two \$500 gifts from club members.

Swede sole nominee for RI president

On December 2, RI President Jonathan Majiyagbe declared Carl-Wilhelm Stenhammar to be the sole official nominee for president of Rotary International for 2005-06. A member of the Rotary Club of Göteborg, Sweden, Stenhammar will be formally elected at the 2004 Convention in Osaka.

Missing Persons Report

The following members missed the meeting of December 9 **without a makeup reported by press time**: Kim Bayne, Mark Berry, Andrew Bolen, Doug Bowling, Randy Britton, Daryle Bush, Diane Cagle, Fred Carpenter, Kelle Corvin, Ben Dillard, Kara Dullea, Cynthia Eason, Calder Ehrmann, Mark Eley, Bob Ellis, Rich Estrin, Bobby Floyd, John Funderburk, Gally Gallivan, Nelson Garrison, Gray Geddie, Roger Gill, Gil Gilreath, Andy Goldsmith, Paul Goldsmith, Charles Groves, David Guthrie, John Hardaway, Alan Harkey, Bill Harner, Randy Harrison, Ted Hendry, Neel Hipp, Jody Howard, Bob Hughes, Bill Jackson, Beverly James, Mike Jaskwhich, Willie Johnson, Bill Kutz, Pauline Lasher, Ed Lathan, Bessie Lee, Lee Lewis, Don Lineback, Steve Loftis, Jacob Lowrey, John Mauldin, Mel Miles, Bill Misiaveg, Bob Morris, Ray Orvin, Henry Parr, Sudhir Patel, Joel Patterson, Joe Ramseur, Vardry Ramseur, John Redmond, John Reynolds, Jeffrey Rogers, Oz Rogers, Jim Sheets, Phillip Shoopman, Wade Shugart, Joyce Smart, Laura Smart, Jane Sosebee, Eric Steele, Kirk Stone, Roger Stone, Trey Suggs, Michael Summers, Bucky Tarleton, David Taylor, John Uprichard, Brad Van Meter, Don Vaughan, Gill Walker, Dave Waters, Phil Watson, Carla Whitlock, Bill Whitney, Charles Williams, Rich Witowski, Bill Wylie, Skip Young.