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Holiday Lights raises record \$88,000

Marking the 12th anniversary of Roper Mountain Holiday Lights, 2003 Chairman Chuck Saylor announced at the March 9 meeting that Greenville Rotary and the Roper Mountain Science Center will receive \$44,000 each from proceeds raised last year — the largest amount in the fund-raiser's history.

Saylor added that the \$88,000 contribution combined with proceeds from the previous 11 years brings the total to more than \$675,000 in contributions donated to the Greenville community.

In 2003, net proceeds for the event were approximately \$93,000. From this amount, \$5,000 has been retained as the nest egg for next season. The remaining proceeds have been equally distributed between the Roper Mountain Science Center and the Greenville Rotary Club, which uses the money to support Rotary Charities. Rotary Charities support college scholarships, Teacher of the Year awards, the Greenville County School District Science Fair, local charitable causes and Rotary International projects

Research developer to speak

Cliff Rosen, a developer from Miami who is leading efforts to develop the International Center for Automotive Research (ICAR) in Greenville, will speak at the March 23 meeting of Greenville Rotary. The automotive park is being developed in cooperation with Clemson University.

New members proposed

James M. "Jim" Bourey (Jim), City Manager/CEO, City of Greenville, classification: City Government, sponsors: Ron McKinney, Nancy Whitworth.

William C. Bradshaw (former member of Little Rock Club 1995-2003), Director, Roper Mountain Science Center, classification: Educational Services, sponsors: Randy Bell, Chuck Saylor.

James H. Childress (former member of Augusta, Ga., Downtown and Orangeburg, S.C., clubs), Marketing Director (Retired), Bell South, classification: Marketing, sponsors: Phil Watson, Glen Adkins.

Cynthia L. Hines, Vice President, Hines Luxury Automotive Imports Inc., classification: Automotive Management, sponsors: Myles Golden, Terry Weaver.

Josh Lane, Account Supervisor, Erwin Penland, classification: Accounting Services, sponsors: Gary Caldwell, Kitty Allen.

Ann M. Middleton, Agent in Charge, FBI (SSRA Greenville), classification: Federal Law Enforcement, sponsors: Nell Stewart, Steve Loftis, Willie Johnson.

Judith S. "Judy" Prince, Associate Chancellor for Strategic Initiatives and Associate Professor, University Center of Greenville, classification: Education—Universities, sponsors: Gary Caldwell, Terry Weaver.

Michelle B. Shain, President—Consulting, Public Affairs, and Community Relations, Shain and Associates LLC, classification: Consulting—Business and Public Affairs, sponsors: Kitty Allen, Terry Weaver.

Kerry K. "Ken" Wood Jr., Account Executive—Sales, IKON Office Solutions Inc., classification: Office Supply—Sales, sponsors: Lewis Freeman, Jan Cross.

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Becoming a reality

By Terry Weaver, President

Our Centennial Project — the Rotary Family Literacy Center at the YWCA — is becoming a reality. The first phase of work is major demolition. Several tons of concrete and steel are now in the abandoned pool (world's largest dumpster). As we get the rest of the demolition complete, we will begin "rough in" of all new electrical, lighting, HVAC and voice/data networks, followed by new walls, ceilings and floors.

This space has been designed for the specific purpose of teaching people to read for the first time and teaching non-English speakers to speak, read and write in English. Do stop by the YWCA on Augusta Street to have a look at what we're building there.

We're making great progress on our fund-raising efforts. Rotarians from our club have pledged more than \$51,000, an average of \$134 per member. Our five partner clubs have pledged \$200 per member. We have a ways to go to hold up our end of the funding bargain. If you haven't done so already, please call, fax or e-mail your pledge to the Rotary office. Donors of \$500 or more will be invited to a special preview Grand Opening party.

We appreciate your support.

64 'shadows' brighten Career Day

A record 64 high school students participated in the Rotary Club of Greenville's annual Career Day and were recognized at the March 9 meeting. Guest speaker for the day was Alex Martin, director of career and technology education for Greenville County Schools. The veteran educator said that career choices for high school students have never been greater, but that help in making those choices has never been less, adding, "Schools must do a better job of helping students make those choices." He said that 44 percent of students interviewed said no one helped them with their career choice.



Guest speaker Alex Martin, left, is pictured with Melinda Tabares, an 11th grader from Hillcrest High School who aspires to be a respiratory therapist. She shadowed Faye Towle at Greenville Hospital System. At right is Trey Pennington, who chaired the "shadowing" event.

New members

New members recently introduced were David Burdette, Philip Cook, Vaughn Graham, Thomas Young, and Bill Jacobson.

Missing Persons Report

The following members missed the meeting of **March 9 without a makeup reported by press time:** Glen Adkins, Chris Beard, Brian Bergmann, Mark Berry, Andrew Bolen, Welch Bostick, Gordon Bray, Bland Burkhardt, Daryle Bush, Diane Cagle, Fred Carpenter, Royce Carter, Mark Clary, Mark Cooter, Judy Dudley, Kara Dullea, Pat Duncan, Bill Edmonds, Calder Ehrmann, Charles Eldridge, Mark Eley, Chip Felkel, John Fort, Matt Foster, Nelson Garrison, Roger Gill, Fred Gilmer, Andy Goldsmith, Roger Gower, Terry Graves, David Guthrie, Alan Harkey, Bill Harner, Ted Hendry, William Herlong, Jay Hewitt, Rick Hewitt, Jody Howard, Bill Jackson, Bob Knight, Sam Konduros, Randy Kowalski, Bill Kutz, Ed Lathan, Lillie Lewis, Woody Long, Collin Mackie, Bobby McLain, Alex McNair, Dan McNamara, Charlie Mickel, Mel Miles, Bill Misiaveg, Bob Morris, Ray Orvin, Lee Palms, Sudhir Patel, Joel Patterson, Roddy Piper, Tom Piper, J.J. Puryear, Vic Pyle, Ray Ramage, Joe Ramseur, John Reynolds, Jeffrey Rogers, Ravi Sastry, Caroline Schroder, Milton Shockley, Phillip Shoopman, Joyce Smart, Eric Steele, Jim Stewart, Richard Sturm, Kelly Sullivan, Bucky Tarleton, David Taylor, Suzanne Thaler, Brad Van Meter, Roger Varin Jr., Don Vaughan, Gill Walker, Bubba Watts, Nancy Welch, Bill Whitney, Charles Williams, Dan Wood, Kelly Wood, Ann Wright, Baker Wyche.

The **Rotary District 7750 Conference** will be held in Charleston April 30-May 2. The registration deadline is March 28. For more information, contact Elizabeth Lyons at elyons@palmettoexpo.com, or visit the District website at www.rotary7750.org.