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Rotary Meeting Speaker—June 8, 2004

James F. Silliman, MD, President of the Steadman Hawkins Clinic of the Carolinas, will present our next program entitled “Fit Kids.” Dr. Silliman is one of



the leading advocates for healthy lifestyle choices for all children and recently helped introduce the “ZestQuest” pilot program into several Greenville County schools. He is a graduate of the University of Tennessee and the University of Louisville School of Medicine, Board Certified in Orthopedic Surgery, a leading researcher in orthopedics and sports medicine and a former professor at the University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center in Dallas, Texas. From 1988 – 1990, Dr. Silliman served as the Team Physician for the U. S. Ski Team. Jim currently lives in Asheville with his wife and three children.

Reminder

This is your last chance to have your photo made at the meeting on June 8. The photographer will be there around 11:30 and will also make photos immediately after the meeting. If you have not had your new photo made at one of the meetings, please call Ernest Rawlins Photography Studio at 271-0002 to schedule an appointment. Be sure to tell them you are a member of the Greenville Rotary Club!

Salute to Education

By Terry Weaver, President

I was privileged to represent you at the recent Salute to Education for Greenville County Schools, sponsored by our Rotary club. Superintendent Fisher and I presented dozens of plaques (each with a Rotary wheel logo) to outstanding students.

Laura Patterson, our Teacher of the Year, gave a thoughtful keynote speech, mentioning again her gratitude to our club for that award. “Leaders in Learning and Liberty” awards were given to outstanding faculty, staff and volunteers. “Thomas E. Kearns Innovation Awards” were presented by past Superintendent Kearns to staff members for quality service and performance.

Honor students and Valedictorians also received plaques, followed by two Students of the Year. Student of the Year is awarded to the Greenville County student with the top SAT score. Daniel Widener and Jerry Towler TIED at 1580 (out of 1600).

This event takes its place in the dozens of projects that make a difference in the Greenville Community, sponsored and supported by our club. Recognizing excellence is an important step in promoting the continuous improvement of public education in Greenville County – a “must do” as part of our mission. Thanks for your support.

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Four Polio-Endemic Countries Are Close to Ending the Scourge

Egypt and three south Asian countries could be polio-free within months, according to a Global Polio Eradication Initiative press release issued at the 57th World Health Assembly, which recently met in Geneva, Switzerland. However, west and central African countries must change track to stop the virus, the statement says.

The World Health Assembly is the annual meeting of the World Health Organization's 192 member states, represented by their health ministers. Polio was one of several health concerns addressed at the event.

On the first day of business, health ministers from the six remaining polio-endemic countries — Afghanistan, Egypt, India, Niger, Nigeria, and Pakistan — announced a two-pronged strategy to further accelerate eradication activities in both regions. Latest figures show that Afghanistan, Egypt, India, and Pakistan now have record low levels of polio. Together, the four countries have reported only 21 cases in 2004, compared to 94 this time last year.

The respective health ministers have announced an accelerated strategy to "mop up" each new virus. Under this ambitious initiative, each new poliovirus found will trigger two massive, tailored immunization campaigns in response, targeting between one and five million children, before the virus has the opportunity to spread. With the all-time low levels of polio, Afghanistan, Egypt, India, and Pakistan are on track to meet the end-of-2004 target for stopping polio.

Don't Miss Health and Happiness!

The last Health and Happiness Hour reception brought a record 80 plus Rotarians, guests, and visiting Rotarians to City Range on Haywood Road. It was a beautiful night and most of us networked on the patio. Our gracious host provided an incredible array of delicious appetizers which kept coming to the delight of our attendees! We keep getting great feedback from these receptions. Our members love the opportunity to get to know each other outside of our regular meetings.

With this in mind, please join us for our June HHH on **Tuesday**, June 22 at 5:30 pm at Sassafras Southern Bistro in downtown Greenville. It is located in the far right hand corner of Bergamo Square. See you there!

MISSING PERSONS REPORT

The following members missed the meeting of May 25 **without a makeup reported by press time:** Glen Adkins, Al Bell, Brian Bergmann, Kristie Bohm, Andrew Bolen, Welch Bostick, Doug Bowling, Jimmy Brehm, Johnny Mack Brown, Diane Cagle, Gary Caldwell, Royce Carter, Heyward Clarkson, Mark Cooter, Lee Cox, Gary Daniels, Brian Di Marco, Lisette Dimitrew, Pat Duncan, Mark Eley, George Fletcher, John Fort, Allen L. Freeman, Gally Gallivan, Mills Gallivan, Fred Gilmer, Andy Goldsmith, Roger Gower, Vaughn Graham, Terry Graves, David Guthrie, Bill Harner, Greg Hart, Matt Hawley, Ted Hendry, Neel Hipp, John Huebner, Bob Hughes, Stan Ingram, Bob Jeter, Phillip Kilgore, Bob Knight, Sam Konduros, Todd Korahais, Bill Kutz, Frank Landgraff, Lee Lewis, Lillie Lewis, Dean Livingston, Steve Loftis, Collin Mackie, David Merline, Ann Middleton, Mel Miles, Bob Morris, Ray Orvin, Joel Patterson, Trey Pennington, Judith Prince, Richard Rabb, Ray Ramage, John Reynolds, John Roberts, Chris Rogers, Jeffrey Rogers, Oz Rogers, Sherm Rounsville, Ravi Sastry, Carolyn Schoepf, Caroline Schroder, Kevin Short, Wade Shugart, Carol Simpson, Hank Sitton, Eric Steele, Jim Stewart, Kirk Stone, Roger Stone, Michael Summers, Bucky Tarleton, David Taylor, John Uprichard, Joe Valitchka, Brad Van Meter, Roger R.R. Varin, Ruud Veltman, Gill Walker, David Weekes, Linda Wentworth, Carla Whitlock, Charles Williams, Ann Wright, Jim Wright, Bill Wylie, Bob Yax, Thomas Young.