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NOVEMBER 9 SPEAKER—DR. PENNY FISHER



Dr. Phinnize J. (Penny) Fisher was appointed superintendent on May 11, 2004 by the Greenville County Board of Trustees. She previously served as Deputy Superintendent/Chief of Staff.

Dr. Fisher joined Greenville County Schools in 1996 as Assistant Superintendent of Middle School Education after serving ten years as a principal and associate superintendent in Montgomery County Schools (MD).

Dr. Fisher began her 35-year education career in 1969 as a teacher in New Jersey. She later became a reading supervisor and principal in Plainfield Schools (N.J.). In 1986, she became principal of Tacoma Park Elementary School in Montgomery County Schools, followed by a principalship at Piney Branch Elementary School in the same school system. Dr. Fisher later served as Area Associate Superintendent for Area 1 and Area 2 Schools, and Associate Superintendent for School Administration in Montgomery County before moving to the upstate.

Dr. Fisher earned a bachelor’s degree in education from St. Paul’s College in Virginia, a master’s degree in education from Rutgers University, and a doctorate of education from Rutgers University. She also completed post-graduate studies at UCLA and the University of Utah.

HEALTH AND HAPPINESS RECEPTION

Our next H & H will be held Monday, November 15 at **Guytano's**, Downtown Greenville at 25 East Court Street (where East Court Street Grill was located). All club members in the District are welcome to visit and this event will be considered a make-up meeting. Bring a spouse/friend/prospective member for fun and networking. There will be a cash bar and complimentary appetizers provided by the Marriott.

HOLIDAY LIGHTS

All of the major displays are set up, wired and ready to go. Now we need to concentrate our efforts on landscape lighting. Plan to come out this Saturday from 8:30 until 12:30 and put lights in bushes and trees throughout the mountain. This will take an enormous amount of time and hands to complete. Upcoming workdays are as follows:

Saturday November 6th 8:30am - 12:30pm

Tuesday November 9th 5:00pm - 9:00pm

Sunday November 14th 1:30pm - 5:30pm

Contact Mark Dullea at 676-9601 or send an email to indicate which days you can help out.

Did you know? You can make up meetings by e-mail. Go to our club website at www.greenvillerotary.org for instructions.

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FROM THE PRESIDENT — Frank Kolb

My thanks to Dr. Stockwell for his informative talk on USC-Upstate. I also appreciate the efforts of Judy Prince in helping us schedule Dr. Stockwell for our club program.

Again, let me urge each of you to do as much as possible to help with Holiday Lights. If you have never had the opportunity to work on this project, you do not know what you have missed. On the money side, this is the primary way we fund so many of the great things our Rotary Club accomplishes each year. Thanks for all that you do and will do to support this project and our club.

We will again this year be participating in the Greenville Symphonies' Christmas concert. More information will be coming on this opportunity at the next two meetings. Tickets for this concert will also be available.

I am glad that the political season is over. I congratulate the winners and thank those who did not win for their willingness to put themselves on the firing line. I also want to congratulate our fellow Rotary member, Jim DeMint, on his election to the US Senate. I look forward to his using the four-way test in the Senate.

Please be here for the November meetings. Our second meeting in November will feature our District Governor, Bill Boyd. Bill has been doing a great job this year. Let's be sure to turn out and show our support for Bill.

The following grants from our club will be awarded at our regular meeting on November 23:

HOPE ACADEMY—\$1,300 for musical instruments and materials.

MARCH OF DIMES AND GREENVILLE HOSPITAL SYSTEMS—\$3,025 for "Babies and You" Program.

MENTAL HEALTH ASSOCIATION OF GREENVILLE COUNTY—\$675 for Operation Santa Claus.

TOTAL GRANTS AWARDED—\$5,000.

The Missing Persons Report that has appeared in past bulletins can be found on the Greenville rotary website.

The District Conference

Most Rotarians have never attended a Rotary district conference, which means they have not experienced one of the most enjoyable and rewarding privileges of Rotary membership.

A district conference is for all club members in the district and their spouses, not just for club officers and committee members. The purpose of a district conference is for fellowship, inspirational speakers, and discussion of matters that make one's Rotary membership more meaningful. Every person who attends a district conference finds that being a Rotarian becomes even more rewarding because of the new experiences, insights, and acquaintances developed at the conference. Those who attend a conference enjoy going back, year after year.

Every Rotary district has a conference annually. These meetings are considered so important that the Rotary International president selects a knowledgeable Rotarian as his personal representative to attend and address each conference. The program always includes several outstanding entertainment features, interesting discussions, and inspirational programs.

One of the added benefits of attending a district conference is the opportunity to become better acquainted with members of one's own club in an informal setting. Lasting friendships grow from the fellowship hours at the district conference.

We are planning now for the **District 7750 Conference** to be held **April 29, 30 & May 1, 2005** in Augusta, Georgia at the Radisson Riverfront Hotel and Country Suites. Please visit www.greenvillerotary.org to find out more about how you can help offset your costs to attend. Opportunities to sponsor the event are available. *DEADLINE IS DECEMBER 15, 2004, SO PLEASE VISIT THE WEBSITE TODAY!*

