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Prof. Simpkins has observed or served as a consultant in constitution-building processes in Kenya, Nigeria, South Africa, and Uganda. He currently is a consultant to the Governance Commission of the Republic of Liberia. He has studied in the law faculties of the University of Cape Town and the University of Hong Kong in addition to lecturing at the National Advocacy Center, the University of Granada in Spain, the University of South Carolina School of Law, the Thurgood Marshall School of Law in Houston, Texas, the University of Otago in New Zealand, and the University of Nankai in Tianjin, China.

Prof. Simpkins received an A.B. in Government from Harvard College and a J.D. and LL.M. in International and Comparative Law from Duke University School of Law. He currently is a Ph.D. candidate at the Center for Comparative Constitutional Studies at the University of Melbourne. Prof. Simpkins and his wife, Dr. Carolyn Wong Simpkins, are the proud parents of Jonah, their 5-year-old son.

## Message From President Charles Warne

Our Club was honored to have Senator Jim DeMint visit and speak to us at our meeting on January 18<sup>th</sup>. We had a large attendance which is always good and enjoyable for members. Congratulations and thanks from the Rotary Foundation for those who attained Paul Harris Fellowship status and were recognized at this weeks meeting: Pam Weaver, Tobin Wolverton & Charles Welch as PH Fellows; Larry Rinne, John Reynolds, Charles Little & Max Cochran as PH Fellows plus one; Dee Kivett & Terry Weaver as PH Fellows plus two. This coming Saturday, January 22<sup>nd</sup>, the Holiday Lights dismantling is taking place from 8:30 AM till 1:00 PM. We would like to see you participate. Tickets for the Greenville Road Warriors "Stop Polio Cold" Rotary event on February 18<sup>th</sup> are due for payment now. Please return payment to the Rotary office ASAP. We wish the "Women for Rotary" committee every success for their member prospect breakfast meeting on January 20<sup>th</sup>. Senior-Active members who are interested in service please contact John Redmond, Max Cochran or myself. We have some exciting and worthwhile avenues of activity to assist the Club and our Community.

Governor Becky's January 2011 newsletter is available on-line at this link:

<http://www.rotary7750.org/newsletters/201101.pdf>

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[www.GreenvilleRotary.org](http://www.GreenvilleRotary.org)



## Rotary Grants

Each year we have the opportunity to make small grants to community based projects. This year the Grants Review Committee will have the opportunity to recommend \$10,000 in grants to local organizations. Our main source of grant requests is through word of mouth of our membership to organizations you are involved with. The application process is simple. The guidelines and application can be found at [www.greenvillerotary.org](http://www.greenvillerotary.org) – Forms – Rotary Grant application. The deadline for applications is March 1, 2011.

If you have any questions you can contact me at [rcromartie@unitedwaygc.org](mailto:rcromartie@unitedwaygc.org).

### New Member Lunch

On the first Monday of each month, new members are invited to join other new members for lunch (dutch treat) at noon at City Range Grill, 615 Haywood Road (across from Haywood Mall). This is a great opportunity to get to know each other in an informal setting with time for conversation and networking. These meetings count as a makeup for a regular meeting up to 2 weeks before or after.

## January Birthdays

Member	Birthday
Kivett, Dee Wood (DEE)	15-Jan
Shouse, J. Matt (MATT)	17-Jan
Stanton, Nancy B. (NANCY)	18-Jan
Warne, Charles R. (CHARLES)	18-Jan
Golden, Myles R. (MYLES)	20-Jan
Hendry, Ted (TED)	21-Jan
Jain, Manoj (MANOJ)	21-Jan
Bolen, John Andrew (ANDREW)	22-Jan
Cantey, Anne (ANNE)	22-Jan
Carpenter, Schaefer M. (SCHAEFER)	23-Jan
Lane, Rhemar P. (RHEMAR)	23-Jan
Phillips, W. Roy (ROY)	25-Jan
Watkins, Kirk (KIRK)	25-Jan
Coan, Sandi (SANDI)	26-Jan
Hewitt, Richard Furman (RICHARD)	27-Jan
McPherson, G. Bruce (BRUCE)	29-Jan

## WELCOME PROPOSED NEW MEMBER

**Ben Dillard**  
 Recruiting Solutions  
 Business Development Manager  
 Sponsors: Paul Wickensimer and Nancy Welch

## Upcoming Meeting Lineup

January 25, 2011	John Simpkins - Professor of Law at Charleston Law School
February 8, 2011	Law Day
February 22, 2011	Ana Schwager - Community Affairs Manager Southwest Airlines
March 8, 2011	Career Day
March 22, 2011	Rotary Literacy Day
April 12, 2011	Claude Lilly - Dean Clemson Business School
April 26, 2011	Linda Gallicchio - Rutland Institute For Ethics
May 10, 2011	
May 24, 2011	Harris Pastides - President Of The University Of South Carolina
June 14, 2011	Josef Kerscher - President Of BMW
June 28, 2011	Charles Warne - Leadership Transition

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## Parent / Child Day



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## 2011 RI Convention in New Orleans, Louisiana, USA, 21-25 May

Register early to receive the best rates and accommodations, and Let the Good Times Roll ... Again! [Find out more about New Orleans!](#) and watch the [2011 RI Convention promotional video.](#)

To attend the convention and experience the fellowship of Rotary at an international level:

- [Register for the convention and ticketed events](#)
- [Reserve your hotel](#)
- [Purchase host event tickets](#)
- [Check the preliminary schedule](#) to help plan your trip.
- [Download the 2011 RI Convention promotional brochure](#)



### 2011 registration

For most categories of attendees, the base price for the convention is US\$300. Registration for a preconvention event will entail an additional fee; however, you no longer need to register for the convention in order to register for a preconvention event.



### ***Note From Fellow Rotarian***

Nikki Wharton, Chair of the Literacy Committee, asks for the prayers of members of the Rotary Club of Greenville. Her 10-year old son, Kendric, has been in intensive care at Greenville Memorial Hospital since the day after Christmas. He has had pneumonia, and at one point, lost the use of his kidneys. He has had several blood transfusions. At this point, his kidneys are functioning, he is off dialysis, his blood levels have stabilized, and his ventilator has been removed. However, there are many days of struggle left before Kendric will leave the hospital.

### ***Upcoming Discover Rotary***

January 26 - 7:30am at the Commerce Club  
February 9 - 7:30am at the Commerce Club  
February 23 - 7:30am at the Commerce Club

## **District Assembly**

The Mid-year Assembly and Pre-PETS is usually in January. Presidents, Presidents-elect, Secretaries, Secretaries-elect, Treasurers and Treasurers-elect are urged to attend this event. All Rotarians are welcome. Check the District Calendar link below for specifics on date and location, and to register online.

[Link to District Calendar for details and online registration \(login required\)](#)

### ***The Greenville Rotarian***

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*by just saying "Yes" :*

- Yes, I will lead that project
  - Yes, I will bring in a new member
  - Yes, I will share my ideas and my resources to make my club stronger
- Rotarians lead by example! Come join us!

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