David C. Harvey, President & CEO of ProLiteracy to Address Club

David C. Harvey is president and CEO of ProLiteracy, the largest nonprofit organization dedicated to advancing the cause of adult literacy and basic education programs in the United States.

Harvey has led efforts to strategically reposition the organization with a focus on innovation, expanding its public policy work and advocacy presence in Washington, D.C., and fostering new foundation, corporate, and federal funding partnerships. Other key initiatives include diversifying ProLiteracy’s staff and board of directors, increasing branding and marketing efforts, and relocating its headquarters to Syracuse’s New West Side neighborhood—one of the poorest census tracts in the United States.

Internationally, Harvey has led a review of ProLiteracy’s portfolio of literacy for social change projects in 52 emerging countries, conducted site visits in Central America, represented ProLiteracy at UNESCO’s Sixth International Conference on Adult Education (CONFINATEA VI) in Belém, Brazil, and helped to sponsor an adult literacy forum in South Africa.

Harvey has a long history of working on behalf of vulnerable populations and disenfranchised communities. Before joining ProLiteracy in September 2007, he was founding executive director of AIDS Alliance for Children, Youth & Families, a national training, research, and advocacy organization in Washington, D.C. Prior to his career at AIDS Alliance, Harvey directed government relations for the National Pediatric/Family HIV Resource Center and was a project director with the National Disability Rights Network, where he directed disability and legal rights education projects. His career began as a staff assistant to U.S. Representative Sam Gejdenson (D-Conn.). He also served in London as a research assistant to a Member of Parliament, House of Commons.

Harvey holds a bachelor of arts in political science from Clark University and a master of social work from the National Catholic School of Social Service, Catholic University of America. He splits his time between Syracuse, N.Y., and Washington, D.C.
Photographs From Recent Meetings

Luceia, Roseli, Wanessa and Celina

Luceia Gives President Burt His Home Club Flag

Group Study Exchange

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I realize that this may be starting to sound like the proverbial “broken record” (obviously a metaphor that may only work for the older demographic among our membership), but I thought our last meeting was really top-notch. Having our Group Study Exchange guests from Brazil was a real treat. I hope that many of you got to chat with them and get to know them a bit. They were an outstanding group of young professionals, led by an equally outstanding Rotarian. I’ve made no secret of the fact that GSE is one of my Rotary “pet rocks” (another metaphor that dates me!), but I must say that both the inbound and outbound teams this year are among the best I’ve seen in my eight years of being part of the District 7750 program. Thanks to our own Kris Atwood for his service as District GSE chair.

On top of having our special guests, the meeting was also significant in that we introduced four new members to the Club. That’s the highest count we’ve had at one meeting in some time. We are beginning to move in the right direction on the membership front, and I hope that each of you will do your part in achieving our goal. By the way, we are introducing two more “newbies” on Tuesday, so the upward trend continues. Keep up the good work!

Speaking of our meeting next Tuesday, we get to experience another of our annual highlight meetings – Literacy Day. As you have read already on the front page, we have an outstanding speaker who brings to us a wealth of knowledge and experience in the field. Literacy – from preschool through adults – has been a major emphasis of the Rotary Club of Greenville for many years. Read To Me, the Rotary Family Literacy Center, and now serving as a lead club for the District 7750 “Partners in Literacy” program in Haiti are all proof of our ongoing commitment to this basic human need that impacts lives in many positive ways. Thanks to Beverly James and her committee for keeping us on target.

For those of you who may not keep up with such things, I’d like to remind you that April is “Magazine Month” on the Rotary International calendar. Perhaps this doesn’t strike you as the same kind of “gee whiz” emphasis as Vocational Service, Family of Rotary, or Literacy, but it is an excellent focus for those who really want to learn more about the great organization of which you are a part. Every issue is filled with inspirational stories concerning the efforts of Rotarians across the globe who are committed to living out our motto of “Service Above Self.” As an organization locally of almost 300 members, it’s sometimes easy for us to lose sight of the fact that the average size of clubs worldwide is more like 30. And yet, issue after issue of The Rotarian highlights the marvelous efforts of these average (and smaller) clubs who are going about their mission “to do good in the world” in above average ways. Their work should inspire those of us in the large club category to think more creatively “outside the box” to multiply our resources in even more meaningful ways. So, read your magazine every month – you’ll be glad you did.

Finally, you should have already received an email from me asking for your input concerning plans for our Club Centennial in 2016. The Centennial Planning Committee, chaired by George Fletcher, has decided that the “formal” survey approach that I have previously mentioned is probably premature at this point. However, they still want your thoughts as to the best ways for us to celebrate. So, please let your synapses do their work on this subject, and send your thoughts to George or to any members of the Club leadership team.

See you on Tuesday for the next meeting of the best and best-looking Club in the Rotary world.

Yours in Rotary Service,
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.

PROPOSED NEW MEMBERS

Meg Terry
DP3 Architects, Ltd.
Architect, Principal
Sponsors: Terry Weaver and Peggy Brock

Help Us Recruit New Rotarians

Our club needs to expand our membership. Please check your Rolodex or Blackberry for two people you can bring to our next Discover Rotary meeting!

Invite your friends and colleagues who may be interested in joining our Rotary club, for an informative meeting to discover what Rotary is all about, and how they can participate. If you cannot attend with your guest, let Mandy know and she will arrange for someone to host your guest.

If you have someone who is interested in attending please contact Mandy Dutton clubadmin@greenvillerotary.com

Orientation for New Members

Greenville Rotary invites you to New Member Orientation, customarily held on the fourth Tuesday of each month, starting at 11:15 a.m. Orientation is held two doors down from the Poinsett Hotel in the board room of the Greenville Symphony Orchestra Building.

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Calling Future Rotary Leaders

Rotary Leadership Institute Dates in our area:

Sat Apr 28 2012 / Asheville NC / Part I, Part II, Part III /

For more information visit the website: www.rli33.org

For those club members who would like to develop Rotary leadership skills, The Rotary Club of Greenville will pay for up to three participants to attend one of the courses. First come, first served. Please contact admin@greenvillerotary.org or 235-2293 and talk with Mandy Dutton.

NOW PLANNING:
CLUB CENTENNIAL – 2016

The Rotary Club of Greenville was organized on January 7, 1916, when a group of civic and business leaders gathered at the Ottaray Hotel on North Main Street. Sponsored by the Rotary Club of Atlanta, the Greenville Club was officially chartered on March 1, 1916, as Club Number 205. The Centennial Planning Committee, chaired by George Fletcher, is already at work developing plans for our celebration of this important milestone.

The committee would like to enlist the input from all members of the Club as to what events, projects, etc. you would like to see as a part of our celebration of the first century of Rotary in Greenville and in anticipation of our second century of “Service Above Self” in this community. So, ladies and gentlemen, put on your thinking caps. Please take time to develop any thoughts or suggestions that you would like to put “in the hopper” for the committee’s consideration.

Member News

Fourteen Wyche attorneys were recognized in 2012 by South Carolina Super Lawyers, a rating service of outstanding lawyers from more than 70 practice areas who have obtained a high degree of peer recognition and professional accomplishment. Congratulations to our members of the Rotary Club of Greenville:

Greg English, Business Litigation
Ted Gentry, Employment Litigation: Defense
Henry Parr, Business Litigation

Two Rotary Club of Greenville members are Women of Achievement!

Beth Padgett and Terri Wilfong were honored as Women of Achievement by the YWCA at the Amy K. Stubbs Women of Achievement Awards Luncheon on Tuesday, April 3, 2012! Beth Padgett received the award for Women of Achievement in Journalism, and Chief Terri Wilfong received the award for Women of Achievement in Public Service. Congratulations to these Rotarians who have contributed to their community, their professions, and to the Rotary Club of Greenville!

Terri Wilfong

Beth Padgett
Dear Rotarian:

This year The Rotary Club of Greenville has invested in preserving important documents and memorabilia for the club. In doing so, we discovered that we are missing yearbooks (directories) from several of our early years as a club. These yearbooks are priceless as a record of our past membership. As we prepare to celebrate our 100th year as a club, we need these yearbooks to have an accurate picture of our membership.

I have listed below the years for which we are missing yearbooks. We ask that you help us locate these yearbooks and donate them to the Rotary Club of Greenville. As some of you are members of families for whom you are the second generation in our club, please talk with family members about whether they might have these yearbooks. If they are willing to donate then, we will preserve these precious items in an appropriate manner.

The Rotary Club of Greenville needs the following yearbooks:

1916-1918 (It is possible that yearbooks were not printed for these years. The first yearbook we have is for 1919.)
1920-1921
1921-1922
1924-1925
1925-1926
1926-1927
1927-1928
1928-1929
1929-1930
1930-1931
1931-1932
1932-1933
1933-1934
1934-1935
1944-1945

Please help us locate these yearbooks as these were crucial years in our growth as a club! If you have one, please contact Mandy Dutton at the Rotary Office (235-2293), and we will make arrangements to pick it up. Thank you for making a contribution to our 100th year celebration right now by helping us find these yearbooks! We will give you a “shout-out” at a club meeting as well!

Judith S. Prince, Secretary
Rotary Club of Greenville

Greenville Rotary does not pay for lunch for guest or prospective members. Please make sure your guest are aware of this.

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!

Congratulations to three of our members for their VERY significant anniversaries as members of the Rotary Club of Greenville.

Carter Poe joined the Club in April 1950.

Hewlett Sullivan joined the Club in March 1952.

Bill Raines joined the Club in April 1952.

What a privilege to share the Rotary experience with these individuals who have been committed to “Service Above Self” for over six decades!

Rotarian Debbie Nelson (on the front row left) at the YWCA Women of Achievement Luncheon was awarded the 2012 Dream Achiever. Nika White, Club member, gave one of the opening presentations.
The question from the last issue of *The Greenville Rotarian* was:

The first Group Study Exchange (GSE) teams were organized between districts in California and Japan in:

a. 1955  
b. 1965  
c. 1975  
d. 1985

The answer is:  
  b. 1965

And the question for this issue is:

Who became known as the “Father of Community Service” in Rotary?  
  a. Donald Carter  
  b. Gustavus Loehr  
  c. Harry Ruggles  
  d. Silvester Schiele

The Rotary Club of Greenville hosts a monthly evening fellowship hour open to Rotarians from any club.

Typically held at a Greenville-area restaurant, the Health & Happiness Hour (HHH) includes complimentary hors d'ouvres, a cash bar and great fellowship with Rotarians in a non-meeting setting.

These events are typically on the third Monday of each month at 5:30pm, although schedules may change. HHH events count as a makeup.

Be sure to check the [Club Calendar](#) for location and possible date changes.

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The First Annual BEE FOR BOOKS! Adult Spelling Bee

Saturday, April 14, 6 PM
Episcopal Church of the Advent
Family Life Center
141 Advent Street, Spartanburg
Admission: $20 and one (or more!) gently-used or new children’s or young adult book

Light refreshments! Door Prizes!

Entertainment
Ten spelling teams of three persons each, representing products, professions, and services throughout our community

Our Goals
Collect 400 or more new or gently-used children’s books for Great Kids Deserve Great Books book drive, an annual program of Hub City Writers Project.

Raise $5000 to buy class, curriculum, and reference books in Creole and French for Cange, Haiti, schools, a North Spartanburg Rotary Club initiative as a part of Rotary District 7750 Partners in Literacy – Haiti.

Sponsorships Available
Make up a team of three spellers! Entry fee per team is $300 and 25 new or gently-used children’s books.

Additional sponsorships would help with food, drink, decorations and prizes.

For more information, tickets, and contributions go to http://hubcity.org/writersproject/news/announcing-the-bee-for-books-literary-effort/
As we have done for the last two years, the Rotary Club of Greenville is partnering with the Palmetto Peloton Project to help with the Stars and Stripes Challenge amateur bicycling event held on Memorial Day weekend in conjunction with the U. S. Pro Cycling Championships. We are seeking volunteers to help with registration on Saturday afternoon and Sunday morning, as well as with manning the SAG stops along the route. Details on time and location are still to come, but plan now to be a part of this exciting and enjoyable event. If you are interested in assisting on one or both days, please email the office clubadmin@greenvillerotary.org.