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Service Above Self



Rotary Club of Greenville OUR NEXT MEETING



**JOIN US AT THE WESTIN POINSETT HOTEL
TUESDAY, AUGUST 11, 2015 AT NOON**

**FEATURING
KAZUO SUNAGA
Consul-General,
Consulate-General of Japan**

Consul-General Kazuo Sunaga will discuss the economic impact of Japanese industry in the Southeast and specifically Greenville. He has served in this role since March of 2013.

The Office of the Consul-General is in Atlanta.

His background includes being the Minister of Permanent Mission of Japan to The United Nations in New York and serving as the Director General for International Affairs, Bureau of Defense Policy to the Ministry of Defense (MOD).

INVITE A FUTURE ROTARIAN AS A GUEST -- \$20
Includes the program, meal, and parking
Preregister your guest to save time at check-in

A Message from the President

Our Commitment to Literacy



Suppose you wake up in the morning, go to the bathroom and open the medicine cabinet to discover that you can't read any of the labels on the medicine bottles. Medicine that you need to take. The words are just a jumble of letters ... like a foreign language. You need to take the bus downtown to apply for a job but you can't read the destination in the window on the front of the bus. You can't apply for a job anyway because you can't read or write well enough to fill out the job application. You are one of 13% of the population in the Upcountry of South Carolina who are functionally illiterate. Research by the International Reading Association shows that illiteracy keeps people in poverty. Annual health-care costs in the United States are four times higher for illiterate people than literate ones. And most important, children of illiterate parents have more trouble in school.

For fifty years, the Greenville Literacy Association has provided opportunities for adults of all income and literacy levels to achieve self-sufficiency through education. The program serves a wide range of education levels, from basic reading and math skills to high school equivalency tests for GED and TASC certification. The Greenville Literacy Association is committed to making Greenville the kind of community where all adults have the skills to earn a living wage and support their families.

The Rotary Club of Greenville has been a close partner in this effort for over many years. In 2004 the Rotary Club headed an effort that resulted in the creation of the Rotary Family Literacy Center located at the YWCA. Unfortunately both the YWCA and the Rotary Family Literacy Center are gone but Rotary's commitment to literacy is stronger than ever. Our past president, Judith Prince, serves on the Board of Directors of the Greenville Literacy Association and Lynn Mann is the new chair of our Literacy Service Project. From last year's Rotary Partnership for Literacy Funds, a communications board is up in the lobby of the Greenville Literacy Association; a Smart Board is up in one of their largest classrooms; scholarships to take the GED have been awarded and the newest Rotary logo is on all envelopes being mailed from the Greenville Literacy Association. Literacy will also be the major project for our upcoming Centennial celebration. We will sponsor a classroom renovation at the Greenville Literacy Association at McAlister Square as well as, student tuition support for the "Career Pathways" pilot program.

In order to continue this important partnership, we need the involvement and support of our membership. In addition to getting involved with the Club's Literacy committee, the Greenville Literacy Association needs volunteers to serve as tutors and volunteers to help with "The Really Good, Really Big, Really Cheap Book Sale" which will be August 14 through August 16, 2015. With over 130 categories and 125,000 books for sale, there will be a significant need for volunteer help. There will be a preview party on Friday August 14, from 5:30pm until 8:00pm and you can purchase tickets online at www.greenvilleliteracy.org/book-sale

Get involved. Help reduce illiteracy in the Upstate. The Greenville Literacy Association needs your help. For more information on how to get involved call or email Judith Prince or Lynn Mann.

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Don Koonce".

Don Koonce
President

Upcoming Meetings

August 11, 2015

Council General Sunaga
Japanese Consulate in the Atlanta Region.

August 25, 2015

John H. Magill
State Director, South Carolina Department of Mental Health



District Governor Terry Weaver with
Rotary Club of Greenville President Don Koonce



District Governor Terry Weaver has his annual meeting
with board members and committee chairs

Four Way Test

Is it the **TRUTH**?

Is it **FAIR** to all concerned?

Will it build **GOOD WILL**
and **BETTER FRIENDSHIPS**?

Will it be **BENEFICIAL** to all concerned?

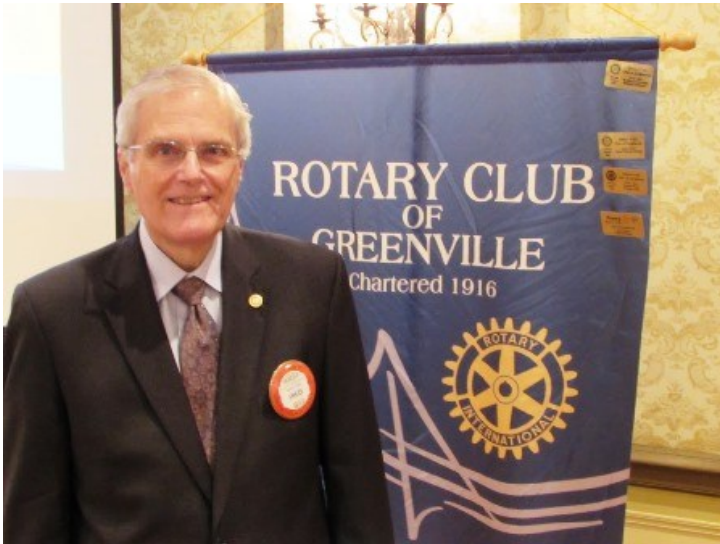


Rotary District 7750 Governor Terry Weaver
Address Club



Assistant District Governor Beth Padgett
introduces District Governor Terry Weaver

Meet Our New Members



New Member Fred Roberts



New Member Gregory Hudson



New Member Paul Johnson



Be a gift to the world



Member News

The Greenville Chamber's Leadership Greenville program has accepted 60 participants for its 42nd class. Participants were selected based on a thorough application process including essays, professional resume, and community involvement.

Leadership Greenville is the Chamber's premier 10-month leadership development program designed to help develop informed, committed and qualified leaders for Greenville County. By taking an intensive look into the issues affecting the area, Leadership Greenville prepares and motivates participants to provide quality, dynamic leadership. The program has graduated over 1,950 alumni since 1973, many of which have served in key positions, including school board, city and county council seats, members of Congress, judges and business leaders.

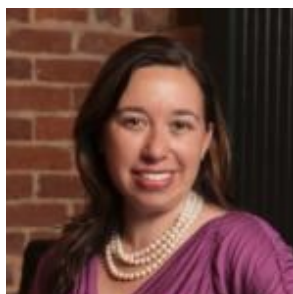
The following Club of Greenville Rotarians have been selected for Class 42:



Ivory Mathews,
Greenville Housing
Authority



Robert White,
Bank of Travelers
Rest



Meg Terry,
DP3 Architects



Jay Wilson,
Rush Wilson, Ltd.



Lindsey Stemann,
Past-President of
Greenville Rotaract

The Object of Rotary

The Object of Rotary is to encourage and foster the ideal of service as a basis of worthy enterprise and, in particular, to encourage and foster:

- FIRST. The development of acquaintance as an opportunity for service;
- SECOND. High ethical standards in business and professions; the recognition of the worthiness of all useful occupations; and the dignifying of each Rotarian's occupation as an opportunity to serve society;
- THIRD. The application of the ideal of service in each Rotarian's personal, business, and community life;
- FOURTH. The advancement of international understanding, goodwill, and peace through a world fellowship of business and professional persons united in the ideal of service.

ROTARY INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION



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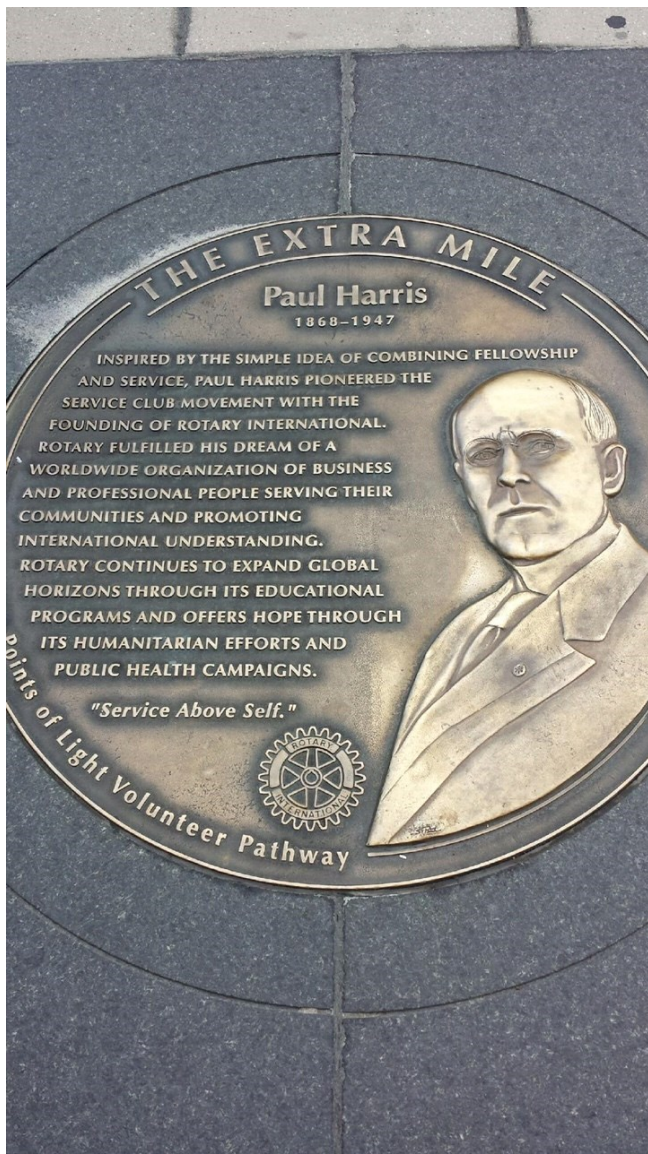
**SEOUL, KOREA
28 MAY-1 JUNE 2016**

**Register
early and
save!**

Rotary



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"On the sidewalk across the street from the White House" , photo taken by Rotarian Salley Kellos

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Office Hours

Monday - Thursday - 8:30 am to 3:00 pm

Friday - Closed

Member Calendar

Tuesday, August 11th	Rotary Club of Greenville meeting 12:00 Noon Westin Poinsett Hotel, Council General Sunaga Japanese Consulate in the Atlanta Region.
Monday, August 17th	Health and Happiness Hour, 5:30pm-7:30pm, Rick Erwin's Eastside
Tuesday, August 25th	Rotary Club of Greenville meeting 12:00 Noon, Westin Poinsett Hotel, John H. Magil, State Director of Mental Health
Tuesday, September 1st	New Member Orientation, 5:00pm, The Poinsett Club
Wednesday, September 2nd	Discover Rotary, 7:30am-8:30am, Conference Room of Rotary Office, 728 N. Pleasantburg Drive