

Greenville Rotarian

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JOIN US AT THE WESTIN POINSETT HOTEL TUESDAY, DECEMBER 8, 2015 AT NOON FEATURING OUR PROGRAM GREENVILLE COUNTY TEACHER OF THE YEAR

Teaching is a calling. We have all heard it. Some knew it was their destiny from childhood. Others discovered later life that they were meant to teach. Being a teacher requires much more ability than mastering a subject. Teachers serve as surrogate parents, social workers, mediators, technology specialists and entertainers in the classrooms of today. Our Rotary Club serves as a major sponsor for the Greenville County Teacher of the Year program.

Every resident in our area should have the opportunity to visit the classrooms of the top ten finalists. Each teacher had a unique teaching style that matched their personality. It is so challenging to compare a guidance counselor to a kindergarten teacher or a high school statistics teacher. They were all wonderful and it was clear that they each had found their calling.

At our December 8 meeting, the Greenville County Teacher of the Year and the three runners-up will be recognized. Members will be able to see the passion the teachers have for their jobs as well as their students. Plan to be present to honor four amazing teachers.

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

Message from the President

Our Women Leaders



In 1988 the Rotary Club of Greenville made the wise decision to admit women to its membership and the Club has realized significant benefit because of that decision. Our first two women members were Virginia Uldrick and Jeanet Dreskin.

Dr. Virginia Uldrick is a talented musician and teacher who has created a stunning legacy in both the arts and education in South Carolina. She was the organizing principal of the Fine Arts Center in Greenville County. She created the five-week summer residential honors program on the Furman campus. She served as artistic and choral director of Rotary's Singing Christmas Tree for some twenty years and conducted the "Tree" during its most outstanding years. At the top of the list of her accomplishments was the fulfillment of her dream for a full-time residential school for South Carolina's most talented students. The statewide Governor's School for the Arts and

Humanities opened on the banks of the Reedy River in 1999, and Uldrick led the school for its first four years. Through the years she has received many honors including the Order of the Palmetto and the Elizabeth O'Neill Verner Award for Outstanding Service in the Arts.

Jeanet Dreskin is a highly recognized painter, printmaker and medical artist who has received many honors for her work and has had her art exhibited in galleries throughout the world. Paintings by Jeanet Dreskin are in the permanent collection of the Greenville County Museum of Art, Greenville, S.C.; the National Museum of American Art, Washington DC; the Georgia Museum of Art, Athens, GA; the E. Hampton Museum, NY; the Zimmerli Museum, New Brunswick, NJ; the Gibbes Museum, Charleston, SC; SC State Art Collection; Texas Art Association Collection, Austin, Texas; Imperial Chemicals, Manchester, England; and J. Strobel of W. Sohne, Munich, Germany. In 2004, the South Carolina governor awarded her the Elizabeth O'Neil Verner Lifetime Achievement Award in the Arts. We were truly blessed to have these two remarkable women as our first members and most importantly, they paved the way for the women leaders who followed them.

In 2001, Beth Padgett became the first female president of the Rotary Club of Greenville. Her leadership has been an inspiration to all of us. She has served on the Rotary board of directors four times and is currently Assistant Governor for Greenville, Greenville Breakfast, Greenville East, Greenville Rotaract, North Greenville, and Pleasantburg clubs. Elizabeth Lyons was president of our club in 2012-2013 and has served on the board three times. She has chaired the Fellowship Outing, Member Recruitment and currently chairs the All Club Conference for 2016. Judith Prince served as the club's president in 2013-2014. She is on the board of directors for the Literacy Association and has done a spectacular job as chair of the New Member Orientation program. The impact that these remarkable women have had on our club is not only impressive but inspirational. These women are amazing.

But the exciting news is that the president who will launch this club into the next 100 years and begin the fulfillment of the theme "Our Legacy for Tomorrow" will be Stephanie Lewis. Stephanie has worked with numerous Rotary committees during her five years in the club and was the recipient of the 2015 Rotarian of the Year. We are indeed fortunate to have her in our club and look forward to her leadership in 2016-2017. All of these women have helped our club grow and prosper and are prime examples of Rotary's theme of "Service Above Self". A special thanks to all of our women members.

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Sponsor's Preview Party At Roper Mountain Holiday Lights









Holiday Lights



Dr. Fred Baus author of "Oh, Those Holiday Lights" with Roper.

His book is on sale at Holiday Lights. The book will be given to children in the Rotary Read to Me Program as well.







Stinson Ferguson's Gate Team

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.



Partners In Agriculture



Rotary Trip to Haiti February 15-20, 2016

Rotary, in conjunction with Partners in Agriculture, has accomplished amazing outcomes in the Central Plateau of Haiti. However, there is much more to be done. Join us on a visit to observe projects completed and projects yet to be undertaken. See first-hand the life changing effects in the communities made possible by the Partners in Agriculture farms and gardens in Corporant and the Family Assistance Program. Visit CFFL, the Centre de Formation Fritz Lafontant, a state of the art vocational school located in the most impoverished part of Haiti. You will also meet fellow Rotarians who have supported the Global Grants program of The Rotary Foundation for many years.



Monday, 2/15/2016	Fly into Haiti and travel to Cange, about 3 hours north of Port au Prince
Tuesday, 2/16/2016	Visit CFFL vocational school
Wednesday, 2/17/2016	Visit three farms and surrounding villages (Family Assistance sites)
Thursday, 2/18/2016	Visit coffee plantation. Meet with the Rotary Club of Mirebalais 5:00 p.m.
Friday, 2/19/2016	Meet with students at CFFL and present Rotary organization. Travel to Port au
	Prince and stay overnight at the Montana Hotel.
Saturday, 2/20/2016	Explore Port au Prince - Fly home mid-afternoon.

Cost is \$1,250 per person, payable to Rotary 7750 Charities. \$800 is due by December 15, 2015, and the remainder due by January 30, 2016.

This includes:

- Round trip airfare from Greenville
- Ground transportation
- Accommodations

Excludes:

Incidentals, souvenirs, etc.

Checks payable to: Rotary 7750 Charities

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November 24th Speaker Cedric Adderley, Principal S.C. Governors School

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Member Calendar

Tuesday, December 8th Rotary Club of Greenville Meeting, Noon, Westin Poinsett Hotel, Teacher of

the Year Program

Tuesday, December 8th New Member Orientation, The Poinsett Club 5:00pm

Wednesday, December 9th Discover Rotary, Commerce Club, 7:30am -8:30am

Monday, December 14th Health and Happiness Hour, 5:30pm - 7:30pm, Stellar Restaurant and Wine

Bar

Tuesday, December 15th Rotary Club of Greenville Meeting, Noon, Westin Poinsett Hotel,

Holiday Program