

# Greenville Rotarian

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# JOIN US AT THE WESTIN POINSETT HOTEL TUESDAY, MARCH 22ND AT NOON IN THE POINSETT BALLROOM

# CAREER DAY - FEATURING GUEST SPEAKER DR. KIM CAPEHART

Dr. Kim Capehart was born on the streets of South Korea and raised in an orphanage until his adoption by his amazing parents Dr. William and Sandra Capehart.

Overcoming cultural and language barriers were just the tip of the iceberg growing up in this wonderful country of the United States in the northeast part of the country. Dr. Capehart was born with a rare orthopedic condition called arthrogryposis in which many are not mobile and taking one step is a major challenge. Surgery, physical therapy, hard work and determination allowed him to take that first step. After that first step he has completed undergraduate degrees, doctorate from professional school, and MBA from graduate school.

He is in private practice in Simpsonville with surgery privileges at GHS and St. Francis
Hospital Systems. He is a full-time faculty member with the University of Phoenix as well as
an adjunct professor at local colleges and universities. He is also founder and CEO of an international business
consulting firm and finance/real estate companies. Finally he is in the final stages of earning his PhD doctorate in
International Business with an emphasis in eMarketing and Leadership.

Dr. Capehart is an entrepreneur, an educator, a practitioner, and a scholar but more importantly he is a husband, a father, a son, and a human being with an altruistic heart. He loves to spend time with his family and giving back as he knows how fortunate he is by volunteering locally, nationally, and internationally.

Dr. Capehart is excited to discover what he wants to do when he "grows up" but loving life as he explores the world to discover what he wants to do. He has lived in the Greenville area for nearly 13 years and has loved everyone he has encountered and the wonderful year round weather. His motivation comes from a quote by M. Gandhi, "Live as if you were to die tomorrow. Learn as if you were to live forever."

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

#### Is World Peace Possible?

"Peace does not mean an absence of conflicts; differences will always be there. Peace means solving these differences through peaceful means; through dialogue, education, knowledge; and through humane ways."

Dalai Lama XIV

Today we are continuously faced with conflict and violence throughout the world and here at home. Afghanistan, Syria, Palestine, Colorado Springs, Charleston, Newtown, Aurora are names that have become all too familiar and tragic. Even our political landscape has become a breeding ground for violent conflict. Violence seems to surround us and become a disturbing part of our daily lives. Is there a way to effectively resolve conflict? Is peace on earth possible? No one seems to have the answer but many are working on it. The Dalai Lama might be right; solutions through dialogue, education, knowledge and humane ways may be the intelligent way towards peace. A very unique dialogue about peace and the resolution to conflict will take place right here in Greenville.

Our Rotary club's celebration of our Centennial will continue with a powerful discussion concerning the question of whether world peace is possible and how it can be achieved. On April 13, 2016, the club will host a Peace and Conflict Resolution Seminar as part of the World Religions Symposium at Furman University. The seminar will be held at the Younts Conference Center at Furman from 9:00am until 5:00pm. A group of highly respected presenters will be on hand to deal with issues like; Is peace possible? Do religions create peace or conflicts? What can individuals do to create peace?

Bawa Jain, Founding Secretary General of the World Council of Religious Leaders, Ken Morgan, former Vice Chair of the Rotary Peace Center Committee, and Norbert and Gerda Bikales, Holocaust Survivors, will explore these questions and more. A panel of distinguished religious leaders will discuss religious perspectives on peace and conflict resolution. These panelists will include Rabbi Marc Wilson, founder of Greenville Faith Communities United; Vinod Deshmukh, M.D., Ph.D., retired professor of Neurology at the University of Florida; Reverend Deb Richardson-Moore, pastor of the non-denominational Triune Mercy Center; Sam Britt, Ph.D., Gordon Poteat Professor of Asian Studies and Religion at Furman University and Akif Aydin, President of the Atlantic Institute. The Applied Theater Center, led by Dr. Dale Savidge, will conclude the seminar by conducting an interactive exercise that will examine how we as individuals can help resolve conflict.

This is an important and timely event that will be a keystone to our Centennial celebration and will provide a meaningful beginning to our next 100 years. You are not going to want to miss this one. Admission is free to Rotary club members and the lunch will count as our regular luncheon.

To register, go to www.rotarypeaceseminar.com

If you would like more information about the Peace Seminar, call Surendra Jain (430-8888) or Judith Prince (561-2577).

Don Koonce President



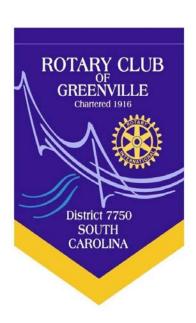
The most important thing to know about the All Club Conference is that the Hotel rate of \$149 expires on April 1. After that date, hotel rooms in downtown Greenville will be both scarce and at least \$100 more expensive.

Reserve a room today if you want one.

The second most important thing is where to find it on the web. That's <a href="www.rotary7750.org/Conference">www.rotary7750.org/Conference</a>
We have talked about the 3Cs of this Conference. The first C is for Connecting. We will connect not only with hundreds of Rotarians but also with nationally-known keynote speakers:

- Ken Solow, author of The Rotary Blog *Ready, Fire, Aim* with some great insights on club leadership
- Greg Blake, humorist, motivator and author of Carving The Table
- Marilyn Fitzgerald, author of If I Had a Water Buffalo, a true story of her Rotary humanitarian experiences
- Ben Bahr, noted international expert and research on aging with facts about Alzheimer's Disease you'll want to know
- Multiple Rotarians presenting All Star Club Projects ideas we can use in our club

Please **register NOW** for the All Club Conference. This is our opportunity to connect with people who are doing important work and to get some new ideas for our club.



# SPEAKERS



GREG BLAKE – An outstanding encouragement specialist who serves corporate and service organizations in motivating and retaining professionals. He has thirty years of experience in this field and works with management teams as well as individuals. He is a masterful speaker with a message of hope and has recently published a worthwhile book - CARVING ON THE TABLE. His clients have included, among many others, Michelin, Pizza Hut, Volvo, Toro, and Pfizer.



DR. MARILYN A. FITZGERALD – A clinical psychologist, is a highly sought speaker, radio guest, and expert consultant in consulting in the business world. She has conducted extensive field work and research on economic and community development all of which has intensified her commitment to the needs of the less fortunate across the globe.



KEN SOLOW – A district governor in D 7620 (Maryland) Ken is a Registered Investment Advisor and is a partner with Pinnacle Advisory Group where he manages over a billion dollars in assets. Ken is a popular speaker at professional conferences across the U.S. and internationally. He speaks regularly at Financial Planning associations and investment management organizationals meetings. He is widely published in journals and newspapers, and his 2009 book is considered the definitive work on Tactical Asset Allocation. He is a leader in the Rotary world.



DR. BEN BAHR – Received his PhD from the University of California-Santa Barbara and has served as a research scientist at the Un. Of Cal.-Irvine, Un. Of Conn., and Un. Of N. C. – Pembroke. He Is currently working on an Alzheimer's grant project from the Rotary CART program and has spoken on aging research at many organization including the recent Zone (Southeastern U.S.A.) meeting for Rotary District Governors at Destin, Florida. In 2013 he received the North Carolina Governors award for promoting Alzheimer's disease awareness.



ALL CLUB CONFERENCE FOR DISTRICT 7750 ROTARIANS GREENVILLE, SC - 2016

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April 22-24, 2016

# REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN FOR THE ALL CLUB CONFERENCE

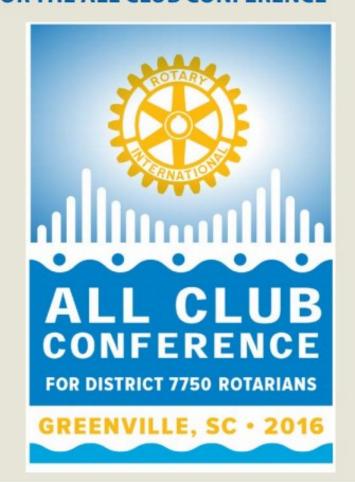
ALL CLUB CONFERENCE FOR DISTRICT 7750 APRIL 22-24, 2016 GREENVILLE HYATT

Starts with a kick-off party at 6 p.m. on Friday. Concludes around noon on Sunday. The entire agenda is on the website.

## REGISTER NOW!

Many more conference details and information can be found at www.rotary7750.org/conference







### BIKE RIDE in Atlanta 2017

Calling all Motorcyclists: Mark your 2017 calendar. Following the Rotary International Convention in Atlanta, the International Fellowship of Motorcycling Rotarians (IFMR) will RIDE from June 15 til we get done. Contact jim@dodmead.net for additional information.



### Mid-Year Assembly

AG Buddy Smith from Union leads a discussion among club members from his area at the Mid-Year Assembly Jan. 30 in Greenwood. About 185 people were present.

Link to conference webpage

# Member News

Greenville Symphony Association Executive Director Sherwood Mobley died on February 26, 2016 after a brief illness. He was 59 years old.

Mobley joined the Greenville Symphony in 1991 as Principal Timpanist, and continued performing in this role until September 2014 when he was named Interim Executive Director. He was then named Executive Director of the Greenville Symphony Association in December 2014. In addition to his artistic role with the orchestra, Mobley served as Manager of Orchestra Personnel and Operations from 1996 to 2004. In 2004 he focused on the duties of Manager of Orchestra Personnel. In 2011 he resumed his role of Director of Operations and Orchestra Personnel. Mobley also served on the faculty of the South Carolina Governor's School for the Arts and Humanities from 1999 until September 2014. He earned a Bachelor of Music degree from Boston Conservatory, and a Master of Music degree from the New England Conservatory.



The Greenville Chamber held its 127th annual meeting on Feb. 23rd at the TD Convention Center. The event featured the presentation of the 2015 annual awards. Two of our Rotarians were honored:



Doris Haley, President and Owner of **Professional Healthcare Services**, accepted the 2015 **Minority Business of the Year Award** at the Greenville Chamber of Commerce Annual Meeting. The Minority Business of the Year Award is sponsored by Bank of America and is presented to a local, independent, and minority-owned company that has been in business for a minimum of three years. Professional Healthcare Services offers an array of professional, cost-effective healthcare solutions for both large and small companies, industrial workforce, insurance carriers, government and state agencies, non-profit organizations and individuals.

The 2015 **Chairman's Award**, sponsored by BB&T, recognized **Phillip Kilgore**, a shareholder with Ogletree Deakins Nash Smoak & Stewart. Under his leadership as Vice-chair of Business Advocacy, Kilgore helps shape strong business advocacy agendas working towards state infrastructure funding, improved workforce training and a strong business climate.





Melanie Bargar, Rotarian and Director of Administrative Services for Clemson University's Youth Learning Institute (YLI) was the featured speaker at the Greenville Chamber of Commerce Sales Roundtable on March 16<sup>th</sup>. Touted as having excellent people skills, Melanie talked about strategies and skills to increase your ability to understand and work with all types of people, even the most difficult ones.

Melanie has more than 20 years of experience in management, sales, development, public relations and leadership training. She leads an administrative team at the Youth Learning Institute's headquarters and leads Professional Development Training across the state.

Her professional background includes many years of service in the areas of youth development, sales and community relations.

## **Rotary Club of Greenville Peace and Conflict Resolution Seminar**

The Peace and Conflict Resolution Seminar is a part of the Rotary Club of Greenville Centennial Celebration and is offered in conjunction with the World Religions Symposium at Furman University. The seminar will be held on Wednesday, April 13, 2016 from 9:00 to 5:00 at the Younts Conference Center at Furman. There will not be a regular Rotary Club of Greenville meeting on Tuesday, April 12! Instead, Rotarians will join other participants at the Peace and Conflict Resolution Seminar at Younts Center on Wednesday, April 13<sup>th</sup>! A buffet lunch will begin at 12:15 p.m. At 1:00 p.m. Dr. Elizabeth Davis, President of Furman University, will greet seminar participants, and, at 1:05 p.m., Kenneth Morgan will discuss Rotary peace initiatives around the world. Mr. Morgan is the former vice-chair of the Rotary International Peace Committee as well as a Past Director of Rotary International. He has been involved with the Duke/UNC Peace Center since its inception in 2000. Members of the Rotary Club of Greenville may attend the Peace Seminar at no cost; however, as a count is needed for lunch, registration is required! To register, go to rotarypeaceseminar.com and click on Member Registration. Rotarians are encouraged to participate in the full-day program, and a brief schedule of the peace seminar is below. Please remember that you must register to attend the Rotary Club meeting which is part of the Peace Seminar and to participate in any part of the conference. REGISTER TODAY!

	Younts Conference Center at Furman University Wednesday, April 13, 2016
9:00 am	Registration
9:30 am	Welcome Surendra Jain, President and CEO, CPJ Technologies, and Chairman, Jain Chem Chair, Rotary Club of Greenville Centennial Peace and Conflict Resolution Seminar Jil Littlejohn, Mayor Pro Tem, City Council of Greenville, SC
9:45 am	Challenges and Prospects for Peace Bawa Jain, Secretary-General, World Council of Religious Leaders
10:45 am	Break
11:00 am	Panel Discussion: Religious Perspectives On Peace and Conflict Resolution Bawa Jain, Moderator Sam Britt, Buddhism Rev. Deb Richardson-Moore, Christianity Dr. Vinod Deshmukh, Hinduism Akif Aydin, Islam Rabbi Marc Wilson, Judaism
12:15 pm	Buffet Lunch
1:00 pm	Greetings Dr. Elizabeth Davis, President, Furman University
1:05 pm	Rotary Peace Initiatives G. Kenneth Morgan, Past Vice Chair, Rotary Peace Center Committee, Rotary International
1:30 pm	Break
1:45 pm	Holocaust Education and Remembrance Dr. Norbert and Mrs. Gerda Bikales, Holocaust survivors
2:30 pm	Spirituality: A Sense of Oneness and Human Unity Dr. Vinod Deshmukh, Retired Neurologist
3:15 pm	Break
3:30 pm	Conflict Resolution Performance Applied Theatre Center, Dr. Dale Savidge, Executive Director
4:45 pm	Summary of Seminar Outcomes and Closing Surendra Jain, Rotary Club of Greenville
5:00 pm	Adjourn

The Rotary Club of Greenville Peace and Conflict Resolution Seminar Subcommittee needs your help to be sure that churches in the Greenville community know about the Peace Seminar that will be held at Furman University on April 13th from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm. The seminar provides an opportunity to explore questions such as "Is peace possible?" "Do religions create peace or conflict?" and "What is the role of spirituality in conflict resolution?"

Rotarians are needed to inform churches about this program. Our hope is that Rotarians can get information about the peace seminar into their church bulletins, and, if possible, make an announcement about the program at their church. Posters and brochures are available to place in churches as well as booklets on the program.

Surendra Jain (surendra@jainchem.com), Chair of the Planning Subcommittee for the Peace Seminar, and Judith Prince, (jprince@uscupstate.edu) member of the Planning Subcommittee, will provide you with the posters and brochures. Please send one of them an email indicating the church to which you will be providing information and how they can get posters and program booklets to you.



# PEACE & CONFLICT RESOLUTION SEMINAR

# WED, APR. 13, 2016 | 9AM-5PM YOUNTS CONFERENCE CENTER AT FURMAN

The Peace Seminar celebrates the Centennial of the Rotary Club of Greenville in conjunction with the World Religions Symposium at Furman University and discusses questions such as the following: Is peace possible? Do religions create peace or conflicts? What can individuals do to create peace? Presentations include: "Challenges and Prospects for Peace," "Religious Perspectives on Peace and Conflict Resolution," and the meaning of the Holocaust in a world torn by ethnic conflict. Religion and spirituality will be examined. During an interactive play, participants in the seminar will be called upon to actively present solutions to issues and conflicts in preparation for service as reconciling agents in our communities.



BAWA JAIN — Bawa Jain is the Founding Secretary General of the World Council of Religious Leaders (WCORL).

Prior to that, Jain was Chairman of the Millennium World Peace Summit of Religious and Spiritual Leaders which brought over 2000 of the world's preeminent religious leaders to the United Nations in 2000. WCORL seeks to reduce religiously motivated conflicts. Mr. Jain coined the term Religious Diplomacy, actively speaks, practices and promotes it around the World as part of his broader thrust on Responsible Leadership.



NORBERT BIKALES, Ph.D. AND GERDA BIKALES – Since retirement, Dr. Norbert Bikales, a well-known polymer chemist, and Gerda Bikales, an accomplished writer and speaker, have been very active in Holocaust education. Dr. Bikales lost his parents and many family members to the Holocaust. Gerda's wartime memoir, Through the Valley of the Shadow of Death: A Holocaust Childhood, vividly brings to life her dangerous journey through Nazi-occupied Europe.



KEN MORGAN — Ken Morgan is Past Director of Rotary International, 2004-2006. He served as Moderator for the 2008 International Assembly, and Chairman of the 2007 International Institute that preceded the Convention in Salt Lake City. He served two years as the Board representative on the International PolioPlus Committee and as chairman of the Board Audit Committee. Ken served as Vice Chair of the Rotary Peace Center Committee from 2008-2010 and has been involved with the Duke/UNC Peace Center since its inception in 2000.



VINOD DESHMUKH, M.D., Ph.D. – Dr. Deshmukh retired from private practice of neurology at Flagler Hospital in St. Augustine, Florida in 2007. He was Associate Professor of Neurology at the University of Florida. He has published over sixty scientific articles including a monograph on Brain Blood Flow. Dr. Deshmukh will speak about spirituality as a path for conflict resolution. He believes spirituality creates a sense of oneness and human unity.



APPLIED THEATRE CENTER WITH DR. DALE SAVIDGE, Ph.D. — Applied Theatre Center in Greenville stimulates creative thinking, intercultural competencies, and other skills needed for the 21st century, and creates opportunities for active learning, the most effective way to learn. Dr. Dale Savidge is the Executive Director of the Applied Theatre Center, and he is Professor in the Department of Theatre at North Greenville University where he teaches applied theatre. Under his leadership, the Applied Theatre Center will present an interactive play during which participants in the seminar can actively resolve conflicts.

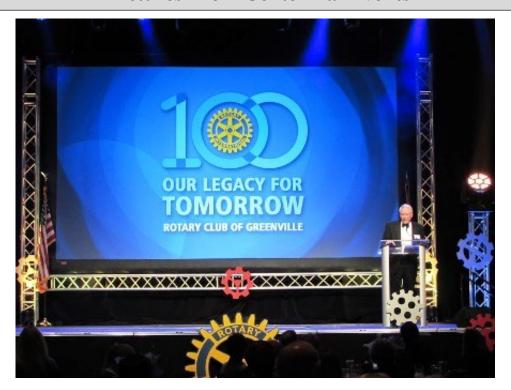
PANEL ON RELIGIOUS PERSPECTIVES ON PEACE AND CONFLICT RESOLUTION: REV. DEB RICHARDSON-MOORE - CHRISTIANITY, RABBI MARC WILSON - JUDAISM, SAM BRITT - BUDDHISM, AKIF AYDIN - ISLAM, DR. VINOD DESHMUKH - HINDUISM



### REGISTER AT WWW.ROTARYPEACESEMINAR.COM

QUESTIONS? CALL SURENDRA JAIN AT 864.430.8888 OR JUDITH PRINCE 864.561.2577

# **Pictures From Centennial Events**











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The Rotary Club of Greenville's annual Grants process is now open to all 501 (c) 3 registered non-profits in the Upstate of South Carolina. The applications are due Friday April 1, 2016. The application can be downloaded at from <a href="https://www.greenvillerotary.org/forms">www.greenvillerotary.org/forms</a> At the bottom of the main website under 'Member Links', you can click on 'Forms' to also download the document.

The Rotary Club of Greenville, S.C., and Rotary Charities, Inc., an affiliated 501 (c) 3 nonprofit organization, are committed to the responsible allocation of unrestricted funds. Rotary Club of Greenville and Rotary Charities, Inc. seek ways to make meaningful, sustained differences in the quality of life of the citizens of Greenville County and beyond. Our goal is to seek out community-based projects where a monetary grant can make a significant impact.

The Rotary Club of Greenville and Rotary Charities created Greenville Rotary Grants to be made from available Rotary Charities funds. These funds are accrued through the fundraising efforts of Rotary Club of Greenville and their primary fundraiser, Holiday Lights at Roper Mountain Science Center. Greenville Rotary Grants are intended to serve our local and regional community with financial support to tax-exempt charitable organizations in our community. The grants are awarded by Rotary Charities, Inc. board of directors.

The focus of the grant is to award projects that advance one or more of the Rotary's 6 areas of Focus within our local community. To learn more about these 6 areas you can visit the Rotary International Website <a href="https://www.rotary.org/en/areas-focus">https://www.rotary.org/en/areas-focus</a>. On that site you can view more information and download the guide to the 6 areas of focus which are;

Peace and conflict prevention/resolution
Disease prevention and treatment
Water and sanitation
Maternal and child health
Basic education and literacy
Economic and community development

All 501 (c) 3 non-profit groups can apply for Greenville Rotary Grants. Rotary Charities may award up to \$15,000. This award may go to a single application or be divided among more than one application.

Thanks, Walter Kivett Rotary Club of Greenille, Grant Committee Chair C: 864-320-3470





Help fund Alzheimer's Research

Every 67 seconds someone in the U.S develops Alzheimer's disease. As of January 1, 2016, our club ranks sixth in the district for our giving to CART (Coins for Alzheimer's Research Trust). If you would like to see our club in first place, consider increasing what you put in the blue CART bucket found on your table at our club meetings. Even though the C in CART stands for Coins, we accept Cash, Checks and Credit Cards since they all start with the letter C too. Please give generously!

Beverly James, Executive Director Greenville County Library System 25 Heritage Green Place, Greenville, SC 29601 864-527-9231

# The Greenville Rotarian

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### **Office Hours**

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

# **Proposed New Member**

**Rufus Beaty** 

Attorney

Sponsors: Phillip Kilgore and Don Koonce



### **Member Calendar**

Tuesday, March 22nd Rotary Club of Greenville Meeting, 12:00 Noon, Westin Poinsett Hotel, Career

Day, Guest Speaker Dr. Kim Capehart

Tuesday, April 12th No Meeting at the Westin Poinsett Hotel

Wednesday, April 13th Peace and Conflict Resolution Seminar, 9:00am to 5:00pm, Younts Conference

Center, Furman University, Lunch 12:15pm to 1:00pm