

WARNER ROBINS ROTARY CLUB

Jan. 12, 2010

Greeters

Today Bruce Clark, Bill Coley, Bill Conrad
Jan. 19 Rodney Smith, Tod Cowart, Bobby Cribb

Invocation..... Ronnie Sanders

Pledge of Allegiance..... Carl Veline

Four-Way Test Ashley Sitz

TODAY'S PROGRAM

MSGT Bradford Godwin

UPCOMING PROGRAMS

Jan. 19 Dr. Martha Venn, vice president for academic affairs,
Macon State College

Jan. 26 Daniel Shirley, sports editor, The Telegraph,
and author, "Hatch Attack - Chris Hatcher"

Feb. 2 TBA

Feb. 9 TBA

PROGRAM SUGGESTIONS

If you have a suggestion for an upcoming program, contact Randy Randall by phone at 922-9234 (work) or 951-2178 (mobile), or by e-mail at glcm1@cox.net.

Rotary International News

ROTARY COORDINATORS TO START IN 2010

Rotarians will soon gain a new resource – someone who will be well-versed in the many programs of Rotary International and knowledgeable about Rotary club and district best practices.

That new resource will be a Rotary coordinator (RC).

“We want clubs to be assured that they are the most important thing in Rotary,” says RI President-elect Ray Klinginsmith, who championed the RC program. “If we don’t take care of the clubs, the clubs won’t take care of Rotary International.”

Adopted by the RI Board of Directors at its November meeting, the program will launch on 1 July. Klinginsmith is appointing the initial 41 RCs, who will serve the same geographical regions as the regional Rotary Foundation coordinators (RRFCs), with at least one RC serving each Rotary zone.

“RCs will be people who have senior leadership experience and a good, strong background in Rotary,” says Duane R. Sterling, a member of the Rotary Club of Warrensburg, Missouri, USA, and Rotarian coordinator for the 2010-11 RI president. Many RCs will be former RRFCs and past regional Rotary International membership coordinators, Sterling says.

“They already know the territory,” Klinginsmith adds.

Similar to RRFCs

Just as RRFCs are knowledgeable about The Rotary Foundation’s programs, RCs will be a resource when it comes to multiple aspects of Rotary International and its programs, providing a vital link of communication between RI senior leaders and Rotary clubs.

RCs will focus on offering guidance and tools in three areas: RI programs such as the youth programs, Rotary Fellowships, and Rotarian Action Groups; best practices that strengthen clubs and districts such as strategic planning, effective public relations, and leadership development; and building membership through stronger clubs and districts.

Through their work, RCs will support the three priorities of the RI Strategic Plan : support and strengthen clubs, focus and increase humanitarian service, and enhance public image and awareness. Clubs will also find RCs to be a valuable resource in determining how to meet the annual requirements for the Presidential Citation, Klinginsmith says.

In addition, RCs will assist at Rotary institutes, governors-elect training

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seminars, and other zone-level meetings. They may also plan and conduct district and regional seminars and workshops where needed, with the assistance and support of district leaders.

Because they will operate in the same geographical areas, RCs and RRFCs will be able to work closely with each other, as well as with the RI director for the zone, Klinginsmith notes.

Moving forward, RCs will be appointed by the RI president-elect and serve three-year terms. Appointees will attend a March institute to prepare for their new role.

Also in November, the Board amended the Rotary Code of Policies to create the RC program and dissolve the RRIMC program, effective 1 July.

MAKE-UP SCHEDULE

Monday.....noon, New Perry Hotel, Perry
Monday.....1 p.m., First Presbyterian Church, Macon
Tuesday.....7:30 a.m., Piccadilly Cafeteria, Centerville
Tuesday.....noon, Community House, Cochran
Wednesday.....8 a.m., Country Cupboard, Byron
Wednesday.....noon, The Steak House Restaurant, Hawkinsville
Wednesday.....12:30 p.m., Macon Centreplex, Downtown Macon
Thursday.....noon, Idle Hour Country Club, 251 Idle Hour Drive, Uptown Macon
Thursday.....noon, Holiday Inn, Forsyth
Thursday.....12:30 p.m., Country Club, Milledgeville
Friday.....noon, Sidetrack Cafe, Eastman
Friday.....12:30 p.m., Dublin Country Club, Dublin
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