

# The FLYWHEEL



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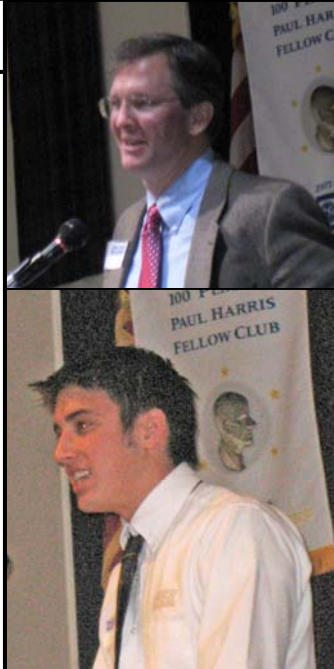
## Rabun Gap-Nacoochee School

Elbie Stiles presented John Marshall, principal of Rabun Gap-Nacoochee School to the Club.

Mr. Marshall gave an overview of the history of the school, its founders and its purpose and goals today. The school was established in 1903. Eighty percent of the students are day students, with a large number from Macon County.

Mr. Marshall presented Clara Jean Quigley and Dillon Duval, students at the school who are residents of Macon County.

Ms. Quigley entertained the Club with a song and Mr. Dillon spoke of his experience at the school and his desire to give back by funding a scholarship in a few years.



Rabun Gap - Nacoochee School's principal, John Marshall and students, Clara Jean Quigley and Dillon Duval gave Club members and overview of the school's history and programs.



February is World Understanding Month .

February 23rd is the 104th Anniversary of Rotary International.



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"Service is the rent we pay for the privilege of living on this earth." N. Eldon Tanner

"He that gives should never remember, he that receives should never forget. Talmud

During the first Rotary club meeting on 23 February 1905 in Chicago, Paul Harris, Gustavus Loehr, Hiram Shorey, and Silvester Schiele met to talk about their personal experiences.

This was the simple beginning of the world's first service club, the Rotary Club of Chicago. It was created because of Harris' wish to capture in a professional club the same friendly spirit he had felt in the small towns of his youth. The Rotary name derived from the early practice of rotating meetings among members' offices.

## Franklin Rotary Greeters and Programs

DATE	PROGRAM	GREETER
February 4, 2009	Ann Van Harlingen	Debbie Wallace
February 11, 2009	Debbie Wallace	Dennis Sanders
February 18, 2009	Dennis Sanders	Russ Gale
February 25, 2009	Rus s Gale	Bob Carpenter
March 4, 2009	Bob Carpenter	Robbie McCoy
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Dear fellow Rotarians,

I grew up in a small village, the same village where my family had lived for many generations. I lived close to many members of my extended family, and our family traditions were very strong. In those days, few Koreans ever traveled abroad, and there was very little Western influence. My home, my language, and my culture were all I knew.

When I was in my 20s, I made a decision that would shape the rest of my life. With my father's encouragement, I traveled to the United States to work and to study. I chose San Francisco as my destination and spent nearly two years there, taking classes and learning English. I made my way working at several entry-level jobs.

It is difficult even today to describe what an impact that experience had on me. Everything, and everyone, was different. I was used to seeing only Korean faces; in San Francisco, I saw people from all over the world. I worked hard on my English and in my job. I learned what it was like to be the person who did not understand, who cleaned up after others, who took orders but never gave them. I learned how large the world outside my village really was. And those experiences sent me back to Korea changed.

When I returned to join my father's business in Seoul, I knew what it was like to be a worker at the bottom of an organizational hierarchy – and that affected how I treated my employees. I knew what it was like to do physical labor all day – and that gave me increased respect for those who worked in every kind of job. Perhaps most important, I knew how much of the world lay beyond my own experience. I knew that there were so many different countries and cultures, so many different people in the world. I knew that as much as we are all different, we are all essentially the same. And I knew that everyone, everywhere, sometimes needs help from others.

In Rotary, February is World Understanding Month – a time to focus on the importance of goodwill and understanding for peace. It is a time for all of us to pause and consider how we are pursuing Rotary's fourth Avenue of Service – International Service – because it is our international service, and our international fellowship, that will do the most to help us all build a more peaceful tomorrow.

Dong Kurn (D.K.) Lee  
President, Rotary International