

**THE ROTARY CLUB OF OAK RIDGE
2004-2005**

THEME: Celebrate Rotary

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SIGNIFICANT EVENTS OF 2004-2005

- **Street Painting Festival was held in October at Roane State Community College to raise funds for RSCC Scholarship Fund.**
- **In the spring was the Gala, a black-tie optional dinner and auction to raise funds for various community organizations.**
- **In this Rotary Year, District Governor, John Bailey instituted a program called the Star Club. This program rewarded clubs that averaged donations of \$100/member to the Foundation. Our Club was one of the first to achieve Star Club status.**
- **In the vocational arena, Tom Row was awarded the 2005 Vocational Service Award.**
- **CELEBRATION OF THE 100TH BIRTHDAY OF ROTARY INTERNATIONAL: FEBRUARY 23, 1905 - FEBRUARY 23, 2005**
 - **The Rotary Club of Oak Ridge undertook the creation of the Secret City Commemorative Walk, Rotary Club gift to the City of Oak Ridge on the 62nd Anniversary of the founding of the City and to celebrate the Rotary International 100th Anniversary of its founding in 1905. The gift will be a permanent, outdoor, very attractive, history in the venue of a walk-around-loop in our main city park (Bissel Park), for present and future citizens that honors and tells the story of the over 100,000 people who came here at their country's call for "service above self" in a top secret**

war work project in World War II. Rotarian Bill Wilcox conceived the idea of this Centennial project. Co-Chairmen Fred Heitman and Tom Hilton headed the project. The cost of the SCCW turned out to be \$287,000. The groundbreaking for the Walk was held on February 23, the actual founding date of Rotary International. The project was completed in early June; dedicated and presented to the City of Oak Ridge on June 16, 2005 during the City's Secret City Festival. There were over 500 people in attendance at this dedication. Attached is a summary of the project as well as two discs with pictures of this project and all that led up to its completion.

- **Rotarian Bill Martin presented a history of our Club since its inception on December 11, 1947. This was well attended by Club members and many community leaders. Photographs of this celebration are on one of the discs being presented with this history.**

The Rotary Year 2004-2005 was a great year in many respects. While membership was stable and the spirit of "Service above Self" was alive and well in our Club, this was a year to celebrate Rotary. Our Centennial project, the Secret City Commemorative Walk is a tremendous gift to the City of Oak Ridge, a permanent and attractive venue that will forever tell the story of Oak Ridge in its Secret City days, 1942-1949. This is the legacy of Rotary Year 2004-2005.