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**Dr. William Kueffner Recognized For Outstanding Lifetime Service Contributions**

(Fairfield, CT) — The Rotary Club of Fairfield recently recognized Dr. William Kueffner as its Norman Parcells recipient for 2007. Norman Parcells, a local Rotary leader, exemplified Rotary’s motto of “Service Above Self”. Dr. Kueffner and other local awardees were recognized for their contributions to the community at this year’s luncheon at the Stone Barn at Whitney Farms in Monroe.

From growing up in St. Paul, Minnesota to his service in the Army as a Captain in the 10<sup>th</sup> Mountain Division through to his medical career, Dr. Kueffner has provided a lifetime of service which has touched and inspired many. Beginning his career with pediatric training at Boston Children’s Hospital & Harvard Medical School and then studying at Cornell & NY Children’s Hospital, Dr. Kueffner was readied for establishing his practice in Fairfield in 1949. As a young pediatrician, he volunteered his services to be the team doctor for the Roger Ludlowe High School football squad. Bill served on Fairfield’s Board of Health for a number of years, has been a member of the staff at Bridgeport, St. Vincent’s, and Norwalk Hospitals. Dr. Kueffner headed the pediatric department at Bridgeport Hospital and also worked at Yale Medical School. He was also known to make many a house call with doctor’s bag in hand.

When retiring from his medical practice in 1985, Dr. Kueffner fulfilled a long-held goal when he volunteered at the Albert Schweitzer Hospital in Haiti. Several subsequent trips to Haiti volunteering his services were coupled with raising funds, sources of medicine and supplies for the hospital. He continues to be very active in supporting the hospital today.

On the local front, Dr. Bill oversaw the reconstruction and design of the two bridges that cross on either side of the Tide Mill and helped shepherd the design and construction of handicap ramps at the Pequot Yacht Club and at the Fairfield Beach Club. With completion of the bridges in 2006, he hosted a Bridge Party to which he brought in a reggae band and fulfilled a childhood fantasy: all you can eat ice cream, served up from a Good Humor truck that he had stocked. Father of six and married to his wife Nancy for over 53 years, the Doctor continues to remain active in Rotary and inspiring many. His lifetime of service illustrates the goal of Rotary and its members.

If you are interested in learning more about becoming involved in Rotary and its 1.2 million members worldwide please contact Ben Williamson at 203.522.4774.



Pictured Dr. Kueffner

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