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## ***Arlington Celebrates Newest Rotarian West of Greenwich with a Family Affair***

February 22, 2005 - Arlington, MA - Marking the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Rotary International, the Arlington Massachusetts Club ceremoniously inducted the first new member west of Greenwich into Rotary's second century. Club President, Stacey Cambria, and father and fellow Rotarian, Kenny Simmons, welcomed Jessica Slate on behalf of the Club at the regularly scheduled Wednesday morning meeting at the American Legion Hall on Massachusetts Avenue.

"My Grandpa would be so happy today," says Slate, a third generation Rotarian. "He took me to my first Rotary meeting when I was in high school," Slate recalled. Slate's grandfather, Bob Slate, was a long time member of the Cambridge Rotary where he served as the assistant treasurer for many years. Mr. Slate, a respected member of the Cambridge business community, was awarded an honorary Paul Harris Fellowship by the Cambridge Club for his dedication and service to Rotary and the community.

"This is a proud moment for me," says Slate's father and Cambridge Club President- Elect, Justin Slate. Following in Mr. Slate's footsteps, Justin and his brother Mallory are active members of the Cambridge Rotary Club. Over the years, the brothers have received the prestigious Cambridge Fellowship Award for their commitment to Rotary and the community.

Jessica Slate, a native of Beverly, Massachusetts, recently moved to Arlington. She is excited and nervous to represent the third generation of Slate's in the Arlington Club of Rotary. Slate currently works at American Consumer Credit Counseling (ACCC) in Newton, Massachusetts where she is the education and workshop coordinator. ACCC is a non-profit organization dedicated to empowering people to regain control of the quality of their lives through education and financial management.

Rotary is a worldwide organization of business and professional leaders that provides humanitarian service, encourages high ethical standards in all vocations, and helps build goodwill and peace in the world. Approximately 1.2 million Rotarians belong to more than 31,000 Rotary clubs located in 166 countries.

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**Jessica Slate (middle left) is welcomed into the Rotary Club by her father Justin Slate (far left) along with Stacey Cambria (middle right), Club President and her father and fellow Rotarian, Kenny Simmons (far right)**