

THE TROY ROTARIAN

Feb. 3rd, 2009

Mickey Parish, District Governor

District 6880, Troy Rotary Club, chartered May 1, 1920 Troy, Alabama

Welcome to the February 3rd meeting of the Troy Rotary Club at the Troy Country Club. Today's Program is hosted by Cliff Eubanks and Joe Faulk. They have invited Steve Cook with Edward Jones to speak to us about the current financial environment. Welcome Steve, and thank you for joining us today at Rotary.

Last Rotary Meeting

The January 27th meeting was hosted by Rusty Eldridge and Earl Ellis. They invited General Surgeon, Dr. Reza Seirafi to speak to us about Colon Cancer, and Colon Cancer Screening. There were 54 members present, 2 guests (George Singleton by Sandi Gouge and Larry Strickland by Doug Hawkins) and 1 makeup. There was \$54.00 in door price receipts.

Absent Last Week- Sohail Agboatwala, Deanne Baggett, Matt Baker, Robert Cary, Tom Collier, Steve Dennis, Marv Dillard, Linda Felton-Smith, Hal Fulmer, Stacy Graning, David Hamlin, Scott Hartley, Jodie Jefcoat, Bill Key, Jean Laliberte, Tim Meeks, Richard Metzger, Bob Mills, Tenise Owens, Paul Outlaw, Chris Schubert, Josh Simmons, Henry Stewart, Ed Telfair, Jim Waller

Program suggestion:

Kim Kersey would like to present a program on behalf of the Girl Scouts. Please contact Kim at 268 – 2375.

Buddy Johnson, Director of Radio and Television at Troy University is available to speak on the topic of Public Radio. Contact Buddy at 670-3555(wk) or 482-3287(cell) or ekjohnson@troy.edu

Please remember that you will be fined \$2.00 if your cell phone rings during a meeting. Phones should be set to off, silent or vibrate.

<http://rotary6880.org/> District 6880 Website

http://www.rotary.org/RI_documents/en_pdf/254en.pdf How to propose a new member

<http://www.rotary.org/> Rotary International Website

From Rotary International President

February-World Understanding Month

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

From Rotary International

Own the hat that Bill Gates wore and autographed at Rotary's 2009 International Assembly. This month, the signed baseball cap will be auctioned on eBay.

Bid on this piece of Rotary memorabilia to help support Rotary's [US\\$200 Million Challenge](#) for polio eradication. Go to www.ebay.com today to place your bid on item 180325654751.

See how you can help in the fight to End Polio Now at www.rotary.org/endpolio.

See another photo of Bill Gates wearing the End Polio hat as he addresses the International Assembly audience in San Diego, California, USA. In addition, Gates recently wore the hat in India while he was immunizing children against polio.

Take this opportunity to be a part of Rotary's history.

Celebrations for the Month of February

Birthdays

*2/01-Mack Gibson
2/19-Jodie Jefcoat
2/22- Amy Flowers
2/28- Earl Ellis

Anniversaries

2/11-Ross Jinright
2/15-Linda Felton-Smith
2/21-David Price
2/26- Tim Meeks

*celebrating today or before we meet again – please let Beth know if information is incorrect or missing

Upcoming program responsibilities

February 10- Linda Felton-Smith & Hal Fulmer
February 17- Mack Gibson & Stacy Graning
February 24- David Hamlin & Larry Hancock
March 3- Scott Hartley & Ed Hedden
March 10- Tom Hicks & Bill Hopper
March 17- Earl Ingram & Jodie Jefcoat
March 24- Benjamin Ji & Ross Jinright
March 31- Jason Jones & Buddy Johnson

Remember that you are responsible for the raffle prize on the day that you have the program. Please pass along program information to Dave or Beth when you know who the program is so it can be listed in the bulletin. Email info to Beth at beth.collier@wachovia.com or call at 697-1118

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The Four Way Test:

Of the things we think, say or do:

First: Is it the TRUTH?

Second: Is it FAIR to All Concerned?

Third: Will it Build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?

Fourth: Will it be BENEFICIAL to all Concerned?

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